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International - ran the headline,

"Let's Blitz Fritz" on page four and

the Daily Star had a front page

picture of the England coach Terry

Venables posing as Lord Kitchener under the headline "Herr We Go".

Stuart Higgins, editor of The Sun told Channel 4 News, that some papers had lost the plot. The Sun

has maintained a jingoistic ap-

proach, rather than a xenophobic

one. I think we can get away with blitzing Fritz, but talk of war is

slightly in a different league. Our

job now is to get behind the players

boost wellbeing **PAGE 18, 19**



Editor waves the white flag after Euro 96 blitzkrieg



BY ALEXANDRA FREAN MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE editor of the Daily Mirror has apologised after hundreds of people protested about yesterday's front page showing two England footballers in soldiers' tin helmets demanding a German surrender. It is understood that Piers Mor-

gan was severely reprimanded by senior executives after the company's switchboard was jammed with calls objecting to headlines saying Mirror Declares Football War on Germany" and "Achtung! Surrender ... For you Fritz, ze Euro 96 Championship is over".

The Mirror's front page also featured an open letter to readers

style of Neville Chamberlain's radio broadcast announcing the outbreak of war on September 3, 1939,

Mr Morgan, 31, said his coverage of the run-up to tomorrow's Euro 96 semi-final was supposed to be humorous, but he admitted that some had found it deeply offensive. Apart from those who protested to the paper, 40 people contacted the Complaints Commission, which will consider tomorrow whether to take any action.

"It was intended as a joke, but anyone who was offended by it must have taken it seriously, and to those people I say sorry," Mr Morgan said. "Humour about the Germans has gone back in our history and is reflected in programmes like Dad's confined to the Mirror, and other Army and 'Allo, 'Allo." confined to the Mirror, and other tabloid papers used similar imag-

Mr Morgan would not comment on reports that he had been forced to cancel plans to hire a tank and drive it to Germany. The paper is also understood to have called off a spitfire flypast over the England team's hotel in Loi in have abandoned plans to. of Dad's Army actors.

Peter Gottwald, a spokesman for the German ambassador in London, said that the Mirror's war comparisons were in very bad taste. Sport should not be connected with a war which, for the Germans, is a very strong reminder of a past that they do not brag about."

The outbreak of jingoism was not and urge them to win. I think we

can have a bit of humour about the Ordinary Germans, however, are ery. The Sun - which, in common with The Times is owned by News becoming almost punch-drunk

from the battering they have re-ceived at the hands of the British tabloids over the beef ban and Euro 96, and many have protested to the British embassy in Bonn. "Clearly some have been offended," Michael Smith, the press secretary, said. That's not surprising given the headlines - but they understand, I hope, that parts of the British press are very robust and critical of everyone, not just Germans."

To many in the newspaper industry. Mr Morgan has failed to understand his readers' sensibilities and the paper's historical role in

transfer the mocking style of The Sun, where he rose to fame as a "showbiz" columnist, and The News of the World, which he edited, many feel he has failed to appreciate the Mirror's more serious tradition.

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Roy Greenslade, a former Mirror editor, said: "It is ironic that two weeks ago it was the only tabloid extolling the virtues of the EU. It is also the tabloid which did more than any other to bring down Terry Venables. Now we must see it praising Venables and deriding the Germans. What kind of paper has it

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New laws will curb asylum seekers' cash

By RICHARD FORD AND JILL SHERMAN

NEW laws are to be rushed through Parliament next week to overturn a Court of Appeal ruling that the Government acted illegally in cutting welfare benefits to asylum

Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, said that ur-ent action was needed so that the ruling would not provide "a blank cheque for bogus asvium seekers".

But the move provoked furious protests from opposition parties and welfare groups. Some MPs described the plans as an abuse of process, and the measure is likely to face stiff opposition in the Lords. Last night angry opposition peers tried to suspend discussion of the Bill, but were defeated by 135 votes to

Chris Smith, Shadow Social Security Secretary, said the decision to force through changes to the law "to get round an inconvenient decision by the courts" highlighted ministers' incompetence.

"In a supposedly civilised country, you are leaving people to starve. You have acted with both inhumanity and injustice. Will you now think again and abandon your foolish intention to legislate your way around the problem? Common humanity demands nothing else," he said. The Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, which launched the court challenge.

said the speed with which Mr pianneo 10 act was a outrage and proved how low the Government had sunk. Daniel Machover, the solicitor representing Ms B. the 25-year-old woman at the centre of the court challenge. said: "It is a knee-jerk reaction. I do not know if Parliament will have a chance to consider carefully what the

judges said."
Ministers will reinstate the benefit curbs by introducing a new clause during the third reading of the Asylum and Immigration Bill in the Lords on Monday. It will then be considered by the Commons, and is expected to become law by the third week in July. In a small concession, benefits to successful asylum applicants

Mr Lilley told MPs that the changes were essential if Britain were to remain a safe haven for genuine refugees rather than a soft touch for bogus claimants. But the Benefits Agency announced that until the amendment becomes law, benefits will be restored to an estimated 8,000

will be backdated.

asylum seekers. It is also considering backdating benefits to February, when the changes were introduced.

Mr Lilley had hoped to save £200 million a year by denyand council tax benefit and income support to refugees who fail to apply for asylum as soon as they arrive in Britain. The benefits were also withdrawn from those appealing against a decision to refuse them asylum.

But last Friday, Lord Justice Simon Brown said that Mr Lilley had exceeded his powers and that the withdrawal of benefits would leave some asylum seekers "so destitute that no civilised nation can tolerate it".

Ms B was smuggled out of prison in Zaire in February after being detained at her husband's funeral. Using false documents, she flew to Brussels, where she joined the Eurostar to Waterloo. She claimed asylum at the Home Office's immigration department in Croydon, but was refused benefits because she did not apply immediately.

Ms B spent her first nights in an emergency shelter and is now living in bed and breakfast accommodation.



Andre Agassi, the No.3 seed, during his match yesterday in which he was defeated by unseeded Doug Flach

Business gamble

The unemployed would be able to take a business gamble with an advance payment of to £1,400 under Labour



Degree for student, 85 By Paul WILKINSON

A FORMER aide-de-camp to the Queen is proving that even

at 85 one can learn new tricks. Next month Colonel George Widdowson will collect a degree in Spanish at Hull University, and, a few days later will marry his fiancée Mary Miller.

The colonel, a veteran of Dunkirk and Arnhem, started his studies 15 years ago after doctors treating a lung com-plaint advised him to winter in

his native North Ferriby in east Yorkshire. "After a spell on the Costa del Sol I decided that I had better learn a word or two of the language," said

the colonel, who was an ADC to the Queen for six years from 1960. He took evening classes at the university and, after his wife died in 1991, he joined a full-time degree course which involved spending a year at the University of Murcia in Spain. "I have always had a



the world Agassi, the 1992 champion. talk about football during play"

Exit Agassi on 'graveyard' court

4, 7-6 (8/6).

By JOHN GOODBODY SPORTS NEWS

ANDRE AGASSI, the No.3 seed and the most charismatic figure in international termis, was knocked out of the Wimbledon championships on the opening day of the mens' singles by his fellow American Doug Flach, ranked 281 in

who was wearing a baggy pyjama-style zippered top and orts, was upset on No.2 court, known as the "grave-yard of champions". Flach won the match 2-6, 7-6 (7/1), 6-

The loss of Agassi is a blow to the championships, which desperately needs his skill and glamour to sustain popular interest in an event which is being overshadowed by Euro 96. However, the Ameri-can showed little of his powerful service return and mobility around the court. Flach served ace after ace. As fourth set, shricks of "fight on

Andre, fight on" came from his fans, packed into the stands but it was all in vain. Earlier, on the same court,

Chang, the No.6 seed, went out in four sets to Alberto Costa of Spain. Monica Seles made a triimphant return to Wimbledon, saying she had no fears for her security at the tournament. She defeated Ann

Grossman 6-1 6-2.

another American, Michael

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US restores 'honey trap' ban on staff in Russia FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW AMERICA has become so

concerned about the threat of Russian spying that it has reimposed tough restrictions on its staff serving in Moscow, where any intimate relations with Russian citizens must be reported immediately.

In language rarely used since the Cold War, the State Department said Russia was "an exceptional intelligence threat to the US" and ordered its employees to report romantic and sexually inti-

mate relationship" The order, made available to The Times, suggested that Russian agents may once again be trying to lure American officials into so-called "honey traps". The classic KGB tactic usually involved a beautiful agent seducing and then blackmailing a vulnera-

ble Western official. The American directive, issued this month, could cause a political storm in Russia just days before President Yeltsin's re-election battle with Gennadi Zyuganov, his Commu-nist challenger, who has played on anti-Western senti-

ments during his campaign. Certainly the language used in the memorandum by Sun-eta Halliburton, the Moscow embassy's administrative counsellor, could be regarded as politically insensitive, given that it was widely circulated to hundreds of American government employees across Russia. "Employees are re-minded," the order said, "that the intelligence threat Russia poses is still formidable."

The order from Washington is seen as a blow to Thomas Pickering, the Ambassador, who has worked hard to normalise relations between Americans and Russians and who had the Cold War ban against "intimate or romantic relationships" lifted last year. "We encourage our officers

to make contacts with Russians," a British diplomat said. "But we have to use commonsense and any intimate relations should be reported. It is not like it used to be. A couple of serving diplomats have married Russians."

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'Clapped-out old milker' finds few friends in his hour of need

ment in the Commons yesterday, as Michael Jopling questioned the Prime Minister on the beef agreement at Florence, the nightmare seemed to be spinning out of control. Mr Jopling, a former Conservative Agriculture Minister, asked about "the ultimate solution" for the British herd. Happily, we had mistaken his meaning

The fate of poor Douglas Hogg, the Minister of Agriculture, seemed even more uncertain. We say "poor" advisedly. for this is the word politicians whom he called a "clapped-use of other politicians whose out old milker". Heseltine life-support machines they have decided to cut off. The affection the word might imply if you or I used it is absent. To say "poor Mr Hogg" at Westminster is the equivalent of staring at your shoes and emitting a low whistle at the sound of the name.

Question I to the Deputy Prime Minister brought Labour's Don Foster to his feet within minutes of kick-off. Foster dared Mr Heseltine to express confidence in Hogg.

rode less than magnificently to his chum's defence, simply insisting, in tones of mild reproach, that everyone in the Cabinet was friends.

Minutes later, Simon Hughes (Lib Dem. Southwark & Bermondsey) told MPs that Mr Hogg was "in a huge hole". Tony Blair rose to allege that ministers were "hanging the poor Agriculture Minister out to dry, to get him to resign".

Where is he? Where is he?"



Labour backbenchers shouted. In fact, Mr Hogg was said to be in Luxembourg, at a meeting. The clapped-out old milker, hung out to dry, in a huge hole, in the Grand Duchy, must present quite a spectacle to the normally se-date Luxembourgeois. If people carry on demanding the Agriculture Minister's dismissal like this for much longer, poor Mr Hogg may survive, for John Major is one of those boys who won't be

There being little of note going on. Monday was a day for violent language, extravagant metaphor and personal remarks. Labour's Win Griffiths (Bridgend) accused

Michael Heseltine of having once "bailed out of the Army to fight a by-election". Nobody raised an eyebrow. Polities must be different in Wales, whose MPs seem to resort to impugning each other's honour almost before breakfast and the instant

Prayers are over. Sir Wyn Roberts (C. Conwy) accused Labour of shaping up to become "dictators at home and appeasers abroad". Peter Pike (Lab. Burnley) prophesied "the slaughter of the Agriculture Minister". David

Howell (C. Guildford) de-clared he detected "the whiff of sour grapes" among

The Liheral Democrat leader compared John Major with Chamberlain, then accused him of "a puerile policy of posturing. Paddy Ashdown has

learned about alliteration. On Thursday it will be all the Qs and Major will stand accused of joining a querulous quartet of Quislings. Mr Major, who more prosaic, said Ashdown knew all about posturing. He told Tony Blair

have the guts to oppose Tory tactics, and when in Bonn he didn't have the guts to support them. Sir Teddy Taylor (C. Southend E) called Blair Mr Kohl's lackey.

Blair told Major he was ("I may say") "utterly incompe-tent". "I may say" is Mr Blair's new buzz-phrase. Douglas Hurd called Mr Blair a confused mischief-

maker. It was, in short, another Monday. Nobody was hurt. Nothing happened. Nothing

Major resists call to sacrifice Hogg over beef war

POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN MAJOR said yesterday that Britain would be ready for the lifting of most of the European Union beef ban by November as he tried to resist mounting Cabinet pressure for the sacking of Douglas Hogg, the Agriculture

The Prime Minister won backing from Conservative MPs for the peace deal secured at Florence after telling them that the bans on meat from certified herds and young calves could be lifted as early as October and that on all animals aged under 30 months by the following month, opening the way for the resumption of exports worth £530 million a year.

The only remaining prohibition would be the export of meat from cattle aged over 30 months, the sale of which is also banned in the United Kingdom.

Mr Major put the cost of the crisis over the next three years at £2 billion. The figure is understood to include all compensation and eradication

His estimates of the time it would take Britain to fulfil the conditions required by Brussels to lift parts of the ban were met with deep scepticism by Labour. Conservative MPs. who also doubted whether Europe would act as swiftly as Mr Major hoped, were neverbeen given a broad timescale to sell to their farmers and

Mr Major defended the Government's non-coopera-

Tory party activists are following their MPs in becoming more Eurosearch published today, supporters are growing more hostile to the social chapter and a single currency. They are more suoportive of a referendum on Europe and efforts to protect British fishing grounds. The findings come from analysis by the Bruges Group, the anti-EU lobby group, of mo-tions submitted to Tory

tion policy, which ended at the Florence summit on Friday, as a "decisive factor" in the deal. But with the future of Mr Hogg again under question after the disclosure that several Cabinet ministers were urging his dismissal, Mr Ma-jor let it be known that he was in no hurry to give in to calls for his head.

conferences since 1992.

The Prime Minister was reported to be angry that some members of the Government were trying to carry out his reshuffle for him. Even so, ministers including Brian Mawhinney, the party chairman, are strongly in favour of Mr Hogg being moved from his job.

Mr Major is also said by

colleagues to be irritated at attempts by some ministers to undermine the position of tion and Employment Secretary, by suggesting that she is at odds with the Prime Minister. Sources close to both Mrs Shephard and Mr Major debeen a rift over the plans for expanding the number of grammar schools, to be un-

veiled today. Roger Freeman, the Public Service Minister, said Mr Hogg had been doing a magnificent job defending the interests of Britain's beef farmers and would continue to go on doing so.

Surprisingly, however, senior ministers continued to raise doubts about Mr Hogg's future and said that when the time came for Mr Major to look at his reshuffle he would be forced to conclude that Mr Hogg was not up to the job. MPs will focus on Mr Hogg in Commons debate today when the Liberal Democrats argue a motion calling for a

cut in the minister's salary. Yesterday in the Commons Tony Blair said the Government had failed to intervene properly when the crisis flared, failed to compensate and inform farmers, failed to announce the link with Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease with any proper consultation, and to get the ban lifted. "This has been an object lesson in this Government's capacity to turn any crisis into a catastrophe. And the truth is whatever figleaf you have today, the damage will be with this country for many years to

Mr Major admitted that the targets he had set were ambitious, "but it is now up to us industries to ensure we meet

Tory Euro-sceptics gave Mr Major broad support. The strongest attack came from



Douglas Hogg arriving in Luxembourg yesterday amid demands for his dismissal

George Walden, the former Tory MPs, urged Mr Major to minister, who declared: "We have lost prestige, we have lost money and we have lost umpteen thousand more cows. we feel big after that, we must have been feeling rather

But John Townend, MP for Bridlington, and chairman of the right-wing 92 Group of at risk. John Redwood, the former leadership challenger. urged Mr Major to use "equally persuasive ways" to raise the issues of the powers of the European Court of Justice and EU fisheries policy. ☐ French farmers protesting

Uniformity in state education

will end, Shephard pledges

against the effects of BSE on use the non-cooperation factics, the meat industry yesterday again if British interests were, intercepted a British lorry containing frozen sheep carcasses and opened the doors of meat unsaleable. The lorry, one of dozens stapped by about 60 farmers, near Bressuire, Poitou, was en route from Wales.

Maze escaper loses extradition appeal

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The American Supreme Court cleared the way yesterday for the extradition to Britain of Jimmy Joseph Smyth, who escaped from the Maze prison in Belfast 13 years ago. Smyth was convicted in 1978 of the attempted murder of an off-duty prison guard and sentenced to 20 years.

He escaped with 37 others from the Maze and went to San Francisco, where he was arrested in 1992. The Government then sought his extradition, claiming Smyth. 42, was a member of the IRA. He denied it and maintained he was innocent of the attempted murder. Smyth's lawyers had appealed to the US High Court to hear the case. arguing that he would suffer political persecution based on his religious beliefs and political opinions if sent back to Britain. The Justice Department orged the Supreme Court to reject the appeal.

Free phone service cut

Millions of people will be denied free help with state benefits when the Benefits Agency's freeline service is cut on July 12. The economy is designed to save the agency £28 million over five years. Peter Mathison, its chief executive, said that most of the calls to the free service were for specific and personal questions that needed to be referred to local benefits offices.

Legal official rebuked

The treasurer of the Law Society has been severely rebuked by the Solicitors Complaints Bureau. Mike Howells, a longstanding council member, was found to have given "inadequate professional services" to a client and was ordered to pay him £1,000 in compensation. Martin Mears, the current president of the society, has asked three former presidents to decide if any further action is needed.

Man denies murder

A 31-year-old unemployed man appeared before Chester Crown Court accused of raping and murdering Sophie Hook, aged 7. Howard Hughes, of Colwyn Bay, Clwyd. denies the charges. Sophie, of Great Budworth, Cheshire, was found dead on July 30 last year near the promenade in Llandudno. She had been camping in a back garden. The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow

Swimming challenge

Eric Henderson, a Commonwealth swimming gold medallist, is taking legal action against the Amateur Swimming Assocation after a police decision to drop inquiries into allegations of "inappropriate behaviour" towards a female pupil. Henderson, 48, had been suspended as a coach by the association and by Bristol City Council. He said: "I am amazed by the whole thing."

Rock show 'mistakes'

A seating stand at a Pink Floyd concert in Earls Court, west London, collapsed, injuring 40 people, because of an accumulation of mistakes, Knightsbridge Crown Court was told. Earls Court Ltd. Jonathan Smith, a former director of Arena Promotional Facilities, and David McCallum, a structural engineer, admit breaching health and safety regulations. The hearing continues.

Sir Fitzroy buried

Sir Fitzroy MacLean, the war hero, author and politician who died earlier this month, was laid to rest on top of a grassy mound on the estate where he spent the latter years of his life. Sixteen family members and friends lowered his coffin into the grave near Struchur, in Argyll, to the sound of pipers. Special Air Service soldiers helped to carry the coffin from Struchur House to the village church.

Star's sonic boom

A former pop star was yesterday facing claims for damages after his experiments with a "sonic weapon" stampeded a herd of cattle. Jimmy Cauty, formerly of the group KLF, test-fired a 25,000-watt sound system on the back of a Saracen armoured car at his country home near Broadhempstone. Devon. during a party. A farmer believes it caused a heiffer to lose a calf.

Degree for man, 85

Continued from page I very full life, but I do not like to be mentally idle. The degree has been a very useful way to occupy my time." Of his fellow students, he says: "They were marvellous. They made me feel as if I was one of them."

His life has already encompassed two successful careers. the first as a soldier, the second as a banker. He was commissioned into the Green Howards in 1931 as a 20-yearold subaltern and later transferred to the Parachute Regiment. After the war he joined the Territorials, becoming first Colonel of 25 Engineer group and later Chief Engineer with the 51st Highland Division. Col Widdowson was appointed first MBE and then a CBE for his military service.

In civilian life he joined Barclays Bank and was chairman of the Association of Hull Clearing Banks from 1956 to 1963. He also served as a magistrate in Birmingham and was a deputy Lord Lieu-tenant for the West Midlands. His fiancée, Mary, was a colleague at the bank and a long-time family friend.

I proposed to her on her

69th birthday last May, but I was in the middle of exams and we could not make any plans." It will be a church wedding and his son Howard. 56, a senior bank official in Warwickshire will be be his best man.

He has known his bride since the 1950s when she worked as his secretary. "She was a great friend of my family, including my first wife who was also called Mary. When I retired in 1969 we lost contact apart from exchanging Christmas cards and the odd letter, but about three years ago I got in touch. Our friendship blossomed and I moved to North Ferriby because she had a home there

COMPREHENSIVE schooling on uniform lines will become a thing of the past under the Government's plans for more selection. Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, writes today in The Times.

BY JOHN O'LEARY

EDUCATION EDITOR

A White Paper to be published this afternoon will endorse successful comprehensive education. But Mrs Shephard says in her article: "One single type of school cannot fully meet all the varied abilities, apritudes, interests and needs of our children." Government proposals will allow grant-maintained and local authority schools to select more pupils, as well as

clearing the way to meeting

the Prime Minister's target of

there being a grammar school

sives will be able to bid over the heads of Labour councils to become fully selective, and new grammar schools will be established where there is

Mrs Shephard describes grammar schools as "beacons of excellence" to the whole education system. Other schools will be encouraged to specialise so that parents are not again faced with a choice between grammar schools and secondary moderns.

However, the Funding Agency for Schools, which will oversee the exercise, said vesterday that the White Paper was unlikely to herald a sharp increase in selection. A spokesman said schools showed little enthusiasm when consulted this year on more modest plans allowing them to select

tained schools are created by parental demand, and remain driven by it." the spokesman said. "There is no point in schools rushing into selection if parents don't want it. If they did, they would have been pushing far harder for it." Out of the 1.034 grant-maintained schools established so far, only 41 have sought permission to select the 10 per cent currently allowed. Of those, 35 select not on academ-

ic ability but aptitude for music and drama David Blunkett, the Shadow Education Secretary, said: The agency agrees with Labour that there is no demand for an increase in selection, and confirms our view that this could be a substantial vote-loser for the Tories," However, Conservative strate-

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following the decision to Harriet Harman, the Shadow Health Secretary, to send her son to a grammar school.

The White Paper will propose that grant-maintained schools are allowed to select up to half their intake by ability or aptitude, compared with a new limit of 20 per cent

our is vulnerable on selection

in the maintained sector. ☐ Pupils awarded top grades in tests for seven-year-olds were facing re-sits yesterday because their results were considered to be too good. Oxfordshire County Council ordered the re-takes because scores in mathematics and English at Stephen Freeman County Primary School. Didon, were inconsistent with expectations.

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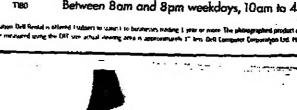
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Best things can be free:

Police filmed teenagers buying drinks

Under-age 'sting' robs Sainsbury's store of licence

A SAINSBURY'S store lost its licence to sell alcohol yester-day after the police sent underage tecnagers into the store and secretly filmed them buy-

The police set up what is thought to be the first such operation if its kind after complaints of drunkenness and bad behaviour among youngsters attending a disco near the out-of-town store at Monk's Cross, Huntington, York. Some of the children's parents had also complained After the decision by licens-

ing justices at Easingwold, North Yorkshire, Sainsbury's complained about the way in which the police operation had been carried out. A spokesman said: "We are very disappointed by the result. We would prefer to work with police and help officers with their duties.

"We will be asking the Home Office to look at the whole issue of this police exercise and we will be appeal-

Richard Green, who prepolice's methods could not be condemned as they had acted in the public interest. The police scheme was 100 per cent successful and showed 100 per cent negligence After the operation earlier

this year, Sainsbury's sacked the two cashiers involved but was accused of making them scapegoats for the faults of senior management, PC Stuart Outhwaite, who led the operation, said: "The people holding the licences should be in control and take responsibility. Despite an excellent training package with Sains-



Hogsden: manager who blamed staff for sales

bury's, it appears that is not

Mr Green said: "The manager was like the captain of the Titanic and chose to shoot officers and seamen when it was the manager's responsibility for the ship going down. It is clear Sainsbury's should look inwards and ask themselves whether or not they were correct in being arrogant and coming here saying, this is what we do, it may not accord with common sense. but it is our policy."

The court heard that teenagers aged 14 and 15 bought alcohol from the store on three separate occasions. The drinks included alcoholic lemonade and rose wine. A video extract of the undercover operation showed two girls dressed casually, with no make-up and clearly looking their age, carrying the drinks from the

Urging the magistrates to market chains, Mr Green said the manager. Michael Hogsden, who has been with

don tradition remained intact

when hundreds of people

camped out overnight to en-

sure their place in the queue

At the head was a German

bank clerk, Marco Stein, on a

two-week holiday in England to enjoy Euro 96 and tennis.

Predicting an England soccer

win over Germany tomorrow,

he said: "They have got more

spirit. They play a fighting game and they will be on their

was not allocated enough.

of my business here."

Miss Seles, but we cannot

More Wimbledon traditions

remained intact with seeds being knocked out on the

Jeremy Bates was defeated.

discuss details."

hame ground."

should take responsibility. James Rankin, for Sainsbury's, told the court that the company was deeply embarrassed by its appearance there and an apology had been made for selling the drinks to

teenagers. Sainsbury's admitted that the manager must accept re-sponsibility but he could not control how fully-trained staff acted all the time. Robert Brookes, the store's deputy manager, said they had never had any problems with under-

age sales.

The regional director, Peter Guildford, said managers should take responsibility, but in this case procedures had been followed and there was no way they could have done

Bob Eccles, the chairman of the licensing bench, said: "We are not satisfied that the store exercised due diligence on these occasions. There is great public concern about underage drinking and this bench has strict views on these matters."

A company spokesman said no decision would be taken on the future of Mr Hogsden and Mr Brookes until after the

A spokesman for Tesco said last night: "We have measures in place to ensure that we do not sell alcohol to under-age customers. These include strict staff training and instructions to staff that they are to refuse to sell to any customers who appear to be under

A spokeswoman for Safeway said: "We have our own in-store policies which are intended to ensure that such a thing could not happen in any



Sister Margaret Mary, left, Mrs Trevisan, and New Hall School, above, where fees are up to £10,000 a year

Nun and teacher clashed at church school

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

A FRENCH mistress at Britain's oldest independent Roman Catholic school for girls was sacked by a "kanga-roo court" after being victimised by the headnis-tress, an industrial tribunal was told yesterday.

As the two women fell out, unrest spilled over in the staff room at New Hall School near Chelmsford, founded in 1763. lennifer Trevisan was accused of fomenting discord by the headmistress, Sister Margaret Mary, a nun from the Convent of the Holy Sepulchre of our

A dwindling number of nuns and monks teach in British schools, many for no salary. Religious orders find it hard to recruit novices and Catholic schools have suffered. Little more than 1,000 members of religious orders have full-time teaching posts. Some schools have closed and others have increased their proportion of lay staff.

Lord in Jerusalem, which runs the school. At one stage, another staff member alleged that an after-school club which Mrs Trevisan helped to set up for language students was an excuse for the girls to buy cakes at a supermarket.

The story of strife at the

school, where the fees are up

to £10,000 a year, emerged when Mrs Trevisan, 50, claimed unfair dismissal. The dispute began after she was diagnosed as suffering from reactive depression caused by

overwork in November 1993.

While she was sick, Sister

Margaret Mary allegedly in-

terfered with her doctor's

prognosis, writing to ask him for a medical report and threatening her with dismiss-al. After her return, she said pressure was increased when she discovered she would also be teaching German.

Last year, Mrs Trevisan was told she had been provisionally selected for redundancy with an offer of £4,925 after 22 years' service. She alleged that a 'kangeroo court' of governors heard her final appeal against dismissal. Mrs Trevisan told the tribunal at Bury St Edmunds: "I just want my job back." The tribunal reserved judgment.

Lone sailor survives collision in Atlantic storm

BY TIM JONES

A LONE sailor last night described his ordeal after his yacht sank in huge seas in the mid-Atlantic within minutes of being holed in a collision. Peter Crowther, 54, was in

the chartroom of his 42 ft yacht, Galway Blazer, when it hit an unidentified object, making it shudder from stern

With seconds to spare as the yacht began to break up, Mr Crowther, a publican from Stoke Fleming, Devon, switched on an emergency distress signal before scram-bling into his liferaft.

The QE2 and other ships in the area, about 700 miles from Land's End, changed course and an RAF Nimrod aircraft from Kinloss was sent to help. After seven hours at sea, Mr Crowther was rescued by Atlantic Compass, a Swedish container ship. He said last night that

although a force seven wind was creating a heavy swell he had been untroubled before disaster struck his junk-rigged schooner. "I was batting along er or not to have a grapefruit for breakfast. Suddenly, there was a huge bang and the ship shuddered. It was as though someone had punched a hatch-sized hole into the hull. I realised I had only seconds to act. As soon as I was clear of the yacht I saw it disappear beneath the waves. It could only have taken a couple of minutes." Mr Crowther had left Plym-

outh nine days before, one of more than 50 competitors in the One-Star Single-handed Transatlantic Yacht Race to Newport, Rhode Island. He is now on his way to Halifax, Nova Scotia. His wife Alix, who runs the Green Dragon public house at Stoke Fleming, said: "Until I heard he was safe it was the worst day of my

The cream of tradition wins at Wimbledon

By JOANNA BALE

for tickets.

WIMBLEDON fans stuck to have a choice." One Wimblecream with their strawberries yesterday, rather than choosing an American-style "healthy alternative" that was available at the championship for the first time in its 119-year history.

It may have been tradition that led them to avoid pouring low-fat, frozen vanilla yoghurt over their bowls. Or it may have been the extra charge of El on top of paying £1.80 for a punnet of ten strawberries already up 5p from last year. The customary calorie-laden, artery-clogging single cream

A spokesman for Town and County, Wimbledon's caterers, said: "We decided to break with tradition and offer this for the first time because we felt that there was a demand for a healthier option." According to sales assistants. fewer than one in ten requested it yesterday. The Mon Glace frozen yo-

ghurt, made in England by Glasay, has half the calories and a third of the fat of single

Sonabend, said: "We started making it four years ago before anyone had heard of it over here. It is an American invention and we are delighted to be selling it at such a

of Crawley, West Sussex, who said: "I love frozen yoghurt. It tastes creamy but it's much healthier. Last year I had cream, but now it's nice to



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Kornela and Joseph Ploch, in a picture taken in 1947

Murdered pair were war refugees BY ADRIAN LEE

AN ELDERLY couple found murdered at their home came Britain from eastern Europe as refugees after the war and felt they owed this country a debt of gratitude. The couple, from Lvov, for-merly in Poland, had survived the Second World War in separate prison camps before settling in England.

The bodies of Joseph Ploch, 86, and his wife Kornela, 82, who were both suffocated, had been undiscovered for almost a week, police said yesterday. It is believed they died when Mrs Ploch disturbed an intruder at their home of more than 30 years, in Fulham, west London.

Both victims were bound hand and foot with adhesive tape. Mrs Ploch suffered

severe facial injuries before she was smothered with items of clothing, while her husband was suffocated with a pillow. Detectives believe the motive was theft. Mrs Ploch was last seen

alive on June 16. Neighbours became concerned, and alerted police on Saturday. Officers found Mrs Ploch's body lying in the kitchen. Her husband who had a heart condition, was found in his bed.

Detective Superintendent Brian Edwards, who is leading the investigation, said: They were frail and defenceless and, I think, incapable of putting up a fight." If anyone had any information about the killer there was no excuse not to come forward.

They were killed in a deliberate and calculated manner. There was nothing of

a lifetime's possessions," Mr Edwards said. Police were trying to estab-lish details of how the couple

great value in the house, only

lived. Mr Edwards described them as a private couple with no relatives in Britain. A niece lives in Canada. Helena Pasek, the victims' best friend, said that the

couple had been sent to prison camps when the Soviet Union occupied eastern Poland at the beginning of the war, leaving a young daughter behind. After their release they left Poland, where their daughter still lives, and settled in Britain, in 1947. Mr Ploch, once a history professor, trained as a draughtsman and worked hard to build a comfortable life. His wife was a dressmaker.

The couple loved their

adopted country. Mrs Pasek, 75, said. They were very grateful to Britain for the new life it had given them. She loved the Queen and the Oueen Mother. The increasing violence never concerned them. It would have been impossible for them to put up

a fight so there was no reason

to kill them." Suzanne Woodburn, neighbour, said: "They were a gentle couple who were quite withdrawn but triendly. I would see her outside her house picking the greenfly off

Another neighbour, Kirsty Smallwood, said: "I never saw anyone going in to the house. He was always tinkering with his car. There have been a lot of burglaries round here but that is very different from suffocating two old people."



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Flags are out for Terry, England and St George

By ROBIN YOUNG

ENGLAND'S Euro 96 success has led to the rediscovery of a flag that a generation had almost forgotten.

The semi-final place for Terry Venables' team has created a boom in demand for the patriotic symbol. "We did not sell a single St George's flag tor St George's Day this year. But now there is tremendous demand." Janet Elms of RME Local Marketing, at Hampton, southwest London, said We will probably sell at least ten times the number of St George's flags that we sold all

last year.' The company supplies "art silk" printed flags, ideal for parading at matches or hanging from windows, at £15 for the 5ft by 3ft size. "We are very imperial here," Mrs Elms explained, "We have no truck

The firm is also producing St George's T-shirts and polo shirts at EI5 each. "But we are having difficulty getting more supplies. People are going to manufacturers and buying up

everything," she said. Chris Penman, of the House of Flags at Kimbolton, Cambridgeshire, said: "Last year, even with the VE-Day com-memoration, we sold only about 1,000 St George's flags. The English as a nation are not very patriotic. Until now a what a St George's flag looked

A Spanish football fan was held by police for his own safety after challenging 300 England fans to a fight outside a pub before Saturday's Euro 96 quarter-final. He did not know his team had lost until he appeared before Markborough Street magistrates yesterday. Igoitz Garagarza, 20, who admitted using threatening behaviour, had already served a day in jail and was freed after the case.

like, but since Saturday afternoon we have been devoting the whole of our production staff and all the outworkers we can find, all working overtime. Fans have suddenly woken up to the fact that it is St George

As well as big banners, up to 50 metres by 15 metres, the House of Flags is supplying thousands of flags two metres by three metres at £80 each. and tens of thousands for hand-waving at 50p each.

At Gaffney of Tiptree, in Essex, staff have worked through the weekend to produce nearly 200,000 extra plastic bowler hats with the St George's cross on them. Dennis Payne, sales and marketing director, said: "It has to be St George because it does not go down well with the Scots if you use the Union Jack at an

started with what we thought were ambitious schemes for products, that has all become

small beer now." Keith Drinkwater, of Big Sport, the company in charge of official Euro 96 merchandising, said: "It is very important for business that the home team does well. We are selling T-shirts, scarves, hats, caps, flags, badges and all sorts of supporters' items, but the uptake from the visiting teams has been rather disappointing. It is the England fans who make all the difference. I want an England versus France final."

Al Spectrum Graphics in Kingston upon Thames, southwest London, business is also hectic. "We do flags in woven polyester at £35 for a 6ft by 3ft or £45.50 for 8ft by 5ft." James Tolley said. But with only a two-day turnaround there is no way we are going to meet all the demand.

Only Big Sport admitted to having taken orders for the German schwarz-rot-gelb. "What's that?" Mr Penman asked. Anyone wanting one of those had better write in under plain cover," Mrs Elms advised. Mr Drinkwater, of Big Sport, said: "I think the Germans will have bought most of their equipment at home. They have not been

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Sam Blake, 20, adorning herself in the rallying symbol in Carnaby Street yesterday

Semi-final strip puts home team in a grey area

By John Goodbody, sports news correspondent

ENGLAND will have to play in their "anonymous grey" reserve strip in tomorrow's Euro 96 semi-final against Germany, it was decided

Germany will play in their traditional white shirts, the same as England's first colour, in the repeat of the 1966 World Cup final, which Eng-land won 4-2 England lost their chance of playing in white when the two countries drew lots at a London hotel yesterday under the eyes of officials of Uefa, the Euro-

pean governing body.

Although Umbro, the manufacturer, insist that the colour of England's second strip is "indigo blue", it has been labelled "anonymous grey" by critics, who say it pales in comparison to their traditional reserve strip of red shirts and white shorts.

Gail Stephenson, head of the orthoptics department at Liverpool University, said: This colour is unsuitable because professional footballers extract a great deal of information from their peripheral visual field. This field has a poorer ability to detect colour and contrast than your central visual field. Therefore, players need a very bright or highly contrasting colour against the dark background

of a crowd." John Barbur, a professor of optic and visual science at the City University, London, said that grey was one of the hardest colours to spot because it was a poor reflector of light.

Steve Double, an FA spokesman, said: "We are not unhappy. We are not persuaded by this argument about the colour. We have a 100 per cent record in this kit. And when we played in our usual white kit against West Germany in the 1970 World Cup, we were

Terry Venables, the Eng-land coach, and Trevor Philthe FA's former commercial director, who resigned last month, discussed the choice of kit with the design department of Umbro.

Simon Marsh, the Umbro promotions manager, said: The FA was consulted all the way. However, we are receptive to people's views and if the kit does not prove popu-lar, we will consider changing it after the customary two years of its life." Umbros contract with England expires

Once submitted to Uefa, the kit cannot be altered for the tournament. Lillywhite's of Piccadilly said yesterday that it had sold "thousands" of the first-choice England kit but fewer than 100 " of the reserve strip.

David Seaman will also be forced to wear a goalkeeping strip that Mr Phillips described as making the Arsenal player look "like a tube of Refreshers" when England played Bulgaria in April.

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Girls face 20 years in Italian prison

By Richard Owen in rome and Kathryn Knight

TWO British reenagers evidence that the girls had been associating with Nigeri-offences in Rome face up to 20 years in prison if convicted, to have got into bad com-Italian police said yesterday.

Marianne Platt, 16, and Melanie Jackman, 19, are occused of possessing and importing 4kg of pure heroin worth £600,000. Friends of Miss Platt, a drama student. spoke of their shock at her arrest. Her mother, Jackie King, was preparing to fly to Italy yesterday. Miss Jackman's family, from Hove, East Sussex, have hired a private

detective to travel to Italy. The police said there was

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found a gene for multiple

sclerosis (report, June 17).

pany," one officer said. "What we have to decide is whether it amounted to more than that."

If a court decided the girls were not part of an organised gang, the sentence would be cut to eight to ten years. This would be halved if they were felt to have co-operated fully. The girls, who had been

tracked by Interpol, arrived from Istanbul on June 6 and were arrested the next day near Naples. A Nigerian and an Italian were also held. British Embassy officals said that the girls were in good health. Michael Burgoyne,

British vice-consul in Naples. said: "They have told me they did not know their luggage contained drugs."

Miss Platt gained 12 GCSEs at The Brit School of Performing Arts in Selhurst, southeast London. She left in July.

Young learn tricks of TV advertising

By Alexandra Frean

PARENTS are more likely to be duped by television commercials for toys than their children, according to research published yesterday.

A study by the Independent Television Commission found that most children display a "consistently higher level of advertising literacy" than adults.

Children as young as nine are skilled at distinguishing reality from fantasy in advertisements and easily understand a range of special effects and devices used by toy advertisers, the report concludes. As a result, they are less likely than their parents to be disappointed when they get the product.

The report concluded that many parents were cynical about advertisements that made exaggerated claims and tended to be overprotective of their children in a way that might not be necessary.





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The best time to exercise is between 5pm and 7pm. Flexibility, speed, strength and dexterity are all better in the late afternoon, early

evening. At this time your body If you're ever can do more for less effort and is driving through also more likely to benefit from it. Scotland you must try and pay a

visit to the 'Electric Brae' near Croy, in Ayrshire. It's a 400 yard stretch of the A719, nine miles south of Ayr, between Alloway and Turnberry, with a strange claim to fame. The road actually slopes downhill but, due to a natural optical illusion, it looks like you're going uphill. Should you stop the car, get out and release the handbrake, it looks to all the world like your car is slowly rolling UPHILL, all by itself. Equally spooky is the burn by the side of the road where the water acts in exactly the same way. It really is Mother Nature at her most playful.

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the London Transport from you. A bottle of from Penguin at £4.99.) bull sperm; a double

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can be mistaken for a sweet orange. In 1890 a man called William Waterhouse stumbled across a hidden

cave in Whitfield County, Georgia. Inside, he discovered piles of coppercoated gold bars, most of which were six feet in length. They were too heavy for him to carry away and later, when he returned to the area, he couldn't relocate the cave. Hidden in the heart of an ancient Cherokee Indian gold field, the cave was apparently used as a smelter and storehouse, and its

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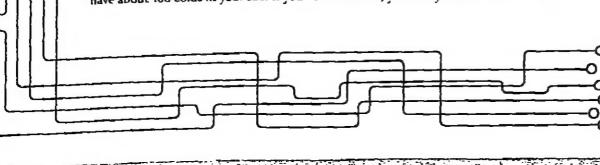
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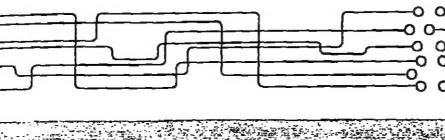
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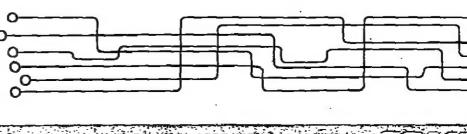
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NHS is sinking like the Titanic, says BMA chief

HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

THE leader of Britain's doctors declared the health service was in crisis yesterday and demanded a £6 billion injection of funds to stop it sinking "like the Titanic".

Dr Sandy Macara, chair-man of council of the British Medical Association, accused ministers of undermining the NHS by year-on-year de-mands for efficiency savings which could be achieved only by cutting services. On the opening day of the BMA's annual conference in Brighton, Dr Macara clashed with Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, who said on BBC Radio 4 that NHS funding had increased continually since 1979.

Dr Macara said the health disaster without major new investment. He called for a boost in funds phased over several years, to bring health spending in Britain up to the average in comparable countries - equivalent to an extra

Dr Macara said: "We can-



Macara: said efficiency

not go on doing more and more work for more and more patients with less and less resources ... The process has been described as shuffling the deckchairs on the Titanic. We need to change the course of our ship of state - Her Majesty's National Health Service - into more compe-

tently charted waters." A 72-year-old woman with breast cancer, who was told she would have to wait ten weeks for surgery because of the pressure on hospital ser-

'cancer' blunder

By A STAFF REPORTER

Woman sues over

A WOMAN is suing two health authorities over unnecessary treatment she had after being wrongly told that she was riddled with cancer. Joanna Johenson, of Brix-

ham, Devon, is suing Medway Health Authority and South East Thames Regional Health Authority. At the High Court, her counsel, Nicola Davies. QC, told Mr Justice Wright that, after Mrs Johenson's breast had correctly been removed in 1982, her surgeon referred her to the consultant radiotherapist and oncologist Dr David Jenkins at St William's Hospital, Rochester, Kent. Despite being told that a scan had shown no cancerous growths, he diagnosed widespread bone cancer.

Mrs Johenson, 58, had ra-

diotherapy, high-steroid drug treatment and chemotherapy. She suffered chest pains, began vomiting and became weak. Dr Jenkins explained the cancer had affected her liver and spleen. King's College Hospital, where she sought a second opinion, told her there was no sign of cancer.

Mrs Johenson alleges the treatment led to the collapse of five vertebrae; osteoporosis; an artificial menopause; and radiation damage to her hip,

femur and lymph glands. The authorities have admitted the diagnosis was wrong and the treatment "inappropriate", but are contesting whether and to what extent the treatment caused her subsequent illnesses. The hearing was adjourned until today.

The woman, from east London, finally had her operation in a different area after four weeks when Dr Sam Everington, her GP, pleaded with hospitals across the capital to find her a bed.

Dr Everington, who is an adviser to Harriet Harman, Labour's Shadow Health Secretary, said: "Everyone should be in favour of efficiency savings but in reality it is leading to very real and dangerous cuts in services."

Dr Macara said that over the past 12 years, efficiency savings of 3 per cent a year demanded by ministers have required hospitals to treat more patients at less cost. But the scope for savings was now exhausted and hospitals were having to cut services to meet their targets.

Or Macara said it was

impossible to carry on without disaster striking. Referring to recent cases of seriously ill patients being ferried around the country in search of a vacant hospital bed, he added: "Disaster has struck with a vengeance - at the accident and emergency services, at neurosurgical and orthopaedic services, and at paediatric intensive care beds."

Although the Government the demand for efficiency savings had more than cancelled them out for the past three financial years. Last year, for example, a 1.1 per cent rise in resources set against efficiency savings of 3 per cent had resulted in a 1.9 per cent cut.

Dr James Johnson, chair-

man of the BMA consultants' committee, said efficiency savings were a confidence trick. The cuts made in hospital beds last year were a direct result of efficiency savings because there was not enough money to keep them open."

Mr Dorrell said that NHS spending this year would rise by £1.3 billion, or £500 million after taking inflation into

The health service is treating more patients with a wider range of care this year than last, and last year treated more than the year before," Mr Dorrell told the BBC Radio 4 Today programme.



Barbara Follett, Labour candidate for Stevenage, second left, at the news conference with her mother Charlotte Hubbard, granddaughter Alexandra and daughter Kim Turner. All the women suffered from pre-eclampsia

Deaths feared from antenatal cuts

By JEREMY LAURANCE

PREGNANT women and their babies will die if planned cuts in antenatal care go ahead, an expert said yesterday. Professor Chris Redman,

an authority on pre-eclampsia, the commonest complication of pregnancy, said deaths would rise if women were not regularly checked during pregnancy. Many health authorities have already made Pre-eclampsia, a distur-

caused by a defect in the placenta, affects one in five women having their first baby. In most cases its effects are mild but in severe cases it can cause convulsions, kidney and liver failure and death.

Professor Redman, director of the high-risk pregnancy unit at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, said that changes in antenatal care recommended by a govern-ment report risked putting the clock back to the 1930s when hundreds of pregnant women

died from the condition. ing Childbirth, published in 1993, recommended reducing the number of antenatal visits from the traditional 14 to nine for a first pregancy and six for a subsequent one. More than half of health authorities are following the advice.

based on a report by the Royal Gynaecologists in 1982, which has since been withdrawn. Speaking at a news confer-ence organised by the charity

Professor Redman said: "Is it necessary for women to die in childbirth before the lessons of history are reaffirmed?" Pre-eclampsia kills about

seven women a year in the United Kingdom and 1,000 babies. There is no means of predicting who will he affected but the condition can be detected by regular checks. The only treatment is delivery of the baby, which may be put at risk because of its prematurity.

Witness denies he was the real killer

By RICHARD DUCE

A MAN cleared of killing a teenage girl 18 years ago denied yesterday that he had got clean away with murder by blaming his stepfather.

Fitzroy Brookes is now the chief prosecution witness at the Old Bailey trial of his stepfather. Michael, accused of the 1978 stabbing of Lynn Siddens, lo. at Derby.

Fizzroy Brookes, then 16. was cleared of the murder when a jury accepted his version of events that he was pressured to take part in the killing by his stepfather. Yesterday, cross-examined by Jonathan Goldberg QC, for the defence. Mr Brookes, now 33 and married with three children, denied he had invented the story.

Miss Siddons was a friend who lived in the same street. Mr Brookes, of mixed race, denied she was killed in a sexually induced frenzy after she called him a black bastard as they walked in woods.

He said his stepfather met them and grabbed her around the mouth. He told me to stab her. Somehow he gave his breadknife to me. I stuck it into her clothing at an angle, I didn't want to hurt her. The knife broke. He told me to use my knife. He got angry. I stabbed her about five or six times in the stomach. not very hard." His stepfather allegedly took the knife and continued the attack. The victim had 43 stab wounds. His stepfather, 51, denies

murder. The case continues

Girl, 15, falls 60ft on school walk in mountains

BY GILLIAN BOWDITCH SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

A GIRL was critically ill with head injuries yesterday after falling into a 60ft gorge in Glencoe. Flona Bridge, 15, was walking with a fellow pupil and two

teachers when she slipped from a path. Pupils were asked to pray for the fourth-former at Matthew Moss High School, in Rochdale, Greater Manchester, as her parents waited at her bedside at Glasgow's Southern General Hospital. A hospital spokeswoman described her condition as very serious.

John Grieve, head of Glencoe Mountain Rescue Team, said the path on the

3.276ft Bidean Nam Bian was dry and well-defined. He described the accident as more or less like falling off a pavement". Ten pupils were visiting the area and staying at a youth hostel. The party had completed their hill-walking activities on Saturday but Fiona and another pupil wanted another walk on Sunday.

They were accompanied by two male PE teachers. They were descending the mountain when one of the adults warned the pupils to take care as the path narrowed. Fiona had acknowledged the warning and made a joke. Minutes later. she stumbled and went over the edge.

One of the teachers climbed down to stay with her while the other ran to the

road to raise the alarm. Medics in the rescue team attempted to stabilise her condition and administered oxygen until a Royal Navy Sea King helicopter arrived. Mr Grieve said the party was wellequipped and there was no need for them

to be roped together.

Andrew Raymer, the girl's head teacher, described her as "a bright, active and able student".

A mountain rescue team failed to find any trace yesterday of a British walker missing for ten days in the Austrian Alps Christopher Broome, 26, a recording technician from Brighton, left a guest house at Bad Ischl to photograph the scenery and has not been seen since.



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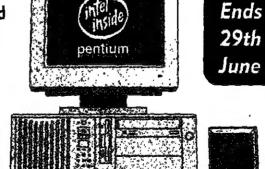
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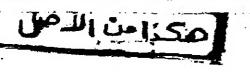
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Hard life and low pay take their toll on British women

the EU. They then tend either to have more children than in

any other country or, in larger

numbers than anywhere else,

to have no children at all. The

childless couple is the most common type of household in Britain, at 34 per cent. At the

same time the British fertility

rate of 1.75 children per

compared with an EU average

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Four British marriages in

seven end in divorce, com-pared with an EU average of

one in three. This means that

the proportion of one-parent

families in Britain is again the highest in the EU, with 14 per

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British women are twice as

figure of 39 per cent.

BY IAN MURRAY COMMUNITY CORRESPONDENT

Witness denies he was the real killer

BRITISH women work harder for less money, have more children, head more oneparent families and die sooner than any of their counterparts in western Europe.

A survey of the latest European statistics, published yesterday, shows that they marry earlier and are more likely to divorce than their peers. which is why Britain has the highest level of one-parent families in the European

Even in education they appear worse off, being less likely to go to university than women in any other major European nation except

The figures suggest that the battle for women's rights in Britain is far from won. Steve Cordingley, of Market Assess-ment Publications, which carried out the research, said: "Women in Britain certainly seem to be getting a rough deal compared to those in other countries. They may be taking a leading role in things like workers' rights, but they seem to be paying the price for it when it comes to life

The average female life expectancy in the EU is 79.4 years, whereas in Britain it is 79. A French woman can expect to live for 81.4 years and a Spaniard until she is 81. In contrast British men have one of the higher life expectancies. 73.6 years, compared with an average of 73 across the EU and 726 in Germany. The

Redundant men in their 50s are the main victims of sex discrimination in job recruitment, the Equal Opportunities Commis-sion reports, Last year men outnumbered women by 820 to 805 in such complaints for the first time in the 20 years of the Sex Discrimination Act. The change follows a shift from jobs in heavy industry to part-time, femaledominated work. Once at work complaints from women outnumber men's.

employment statistics show that British women are easily the most likely to have a job. Compared with an EU average of 55.2 per cent in work, in Britain 65,9 per cent have a job. In Germany, even after unification, the rate is only 60.7 per cent, closely followed by France, where 59.6 per cent of women work. The figure drops to 42.2 per cent in Italy.

British women are much more likely to work part time (45 per cent) than anywhere else in the EU. Part-timers are paid less and tend to be women from poorer households. Whereas full-timers tend to be married to men who work full time, wives of the unemployed or single mothers are likely to be unemployed or at best holding a part-time

British women are keenest the youngest brides, averag-

in the EU to marry. They are ing 25.6 years, compared with 26.1 in France and 25.9 across

TV actresses have to play macho roles



derpaid and forced to play traditionally "male" roles such as prison governors and tough detectives, the actors' union Equity said yesterday. Charlotte Cornwell, Equity's vice-president, left, said that 'women in a man's world" improve the image of women in society or to enhance their prospects in the profession. Television actresses carn, on average, 15 per cent less than actors, a report by Dr Helen Thomas, of Goldsmiths Coll-

Dogs trapped for month in warren

By Paul WILKINSON

TWO Jack Russell terriers have been rescued after being trapped in a rabbit hole for almost a month. Gertie, four, and her two-year-old daughter Lillie survived on a diet of worms and rainwater washed down the hole during two

Pam Ashworth, their owner, had given up hope of seeing the dogs again after she and her husband Grant spent ten days searching without suc-cess around Allanbrooke barracks at Topcliffe, North Yorkshire, where the dogs had disappeared.

At home with them at Cold Kirby yesterday, Mrs Ash-worth said: "I just cannot believe they managed to stay alive for so long. When they were examined by the vet he said they would have survived just a couple more days before

The dogs disappeared on May 23 while playing on land at the barracks' Saddle Club, where Mrs Ashworth is a

civilian horse-riding instructor. She said: "I must have shouted down every rabbit hole but to no avail. We even had the army tracker dogs out sniffing, but with no sign I had

just about given up hope." On June 16, Zeena Parkin, a fellow instructor, was grooming her horse when she heard a faint yelping. She traced it to a hole covered by a large boulder and when she pulled it aside she could hear dogs

barking.
She enlisted help from two soldiers who dug 10ft before they reached the animals. Mrs Ashworth, 42, said: "It really is incredible that they have managed to survive so long. Luckily there have been two very heavy thunderstorms so they have had regular drips of

The vet believes they have been eating soil and worms. which are apparently very nutritious. We think they went down one rabbit hole and then got lost in a big warren."



DANCERS from the Royal Ballet are heading again for a makeshift stage in Africa despite misgivings from the company's management (Dalya Alberge writes).

with 10 per cent in France and After the success of a visit to Kenya Spain. The EU average is II two years ago when they performed with local tribal dancers, above. IS of □ European Lifestyles (Market assessment Publications the company's young dancers are using a fortnight's holiday in August to raise money for Kenya's Wildlife Ltd. 4 Crinan Street, London,

Dancers leap at African reprise

Service and an orphanage school in Nairobi. They will be presenting excerpts at five engagements and are at pains to say that it is not an official Royal Ballet tour. But Anthony Dowell, the company's artistic direcfor, discourages dancers from per-forming during a holiday. He prefers them to rest, as injuries could prevent them from appearing in the next season. Rosalind Eyre, the company's ballet mistress, who is co-ordinating the tour, said that nobody was hurt during the earlier Kenyan tour, although she conceded that dozens of dancers are injured every year. One of

the group's performances will be staged against a backdrop of thorn trees and Mount Kilimanjaro. Ms Eyre described the exhilaration of performing with Masai dancers. "Last time, our boys were lifting their boys.

showing them how to do pirouettes. "They were teaching us how to jump without a plie, bouncing like rubber balls. They are the most charming people, with fantastic rhythm."

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Frequently cooking with rapeseed oil	2.80	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 40, p. 604 (1987)
Drinking 1-2 glasses of whole milk per day	1.62	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 43, p. 608 (1989)
Eating one biscuit a day	1.49	Heart disease	Lancet, Vol. 341, p. 581 (1993)
Drinking chlorinated water	1.38	Rectal cancer	American Journal of Public Health, Vol. 82, p. 955 (1992)
Eating pepper frequently	1.30	Mortality	American Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 119, p. 775 (1984)
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High vegetable diet	0.37	Lung cancer	International Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 25, Suppl. 1, p. 32 (1996)
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Greenpeace clashes with Danes in North Sea war

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH AND ROBIN YOUNG

DANISH fishermen and Greenpeace activists were involved in violent clashes yesterday in a growing conservation war that is stretching from the North Sea to British supermarket

The environmentalists claim their vessel was rammed and flares were fired at their dinghies as they protested over the "howering" of sand eels from the Firth of Forth. A Royal Navy ship has been sent to the area to keep a

On Sunday four Greenpeace dinghies were attacked with home-made spears and grappling hooks, and four activists who were trying to prevent the fishing were thrown into the water. None

Greenpeace says that the fishing, which is legal, is jeopardising sea birds and commercial fish stocks which feed on the sand eels. The eels are used for animal feeds, fertilisers and fish oil for margarine and biscuits. Al-

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ready the Co-op, Sainsbury's and Tesco have said they will take all foods containing North Sea lish oil off their shelves. Unilever, maker of four fifths of Britain's margarine, and United Biscuits have said they will stop handling North Sea fish oil in their

Sconish fishermen are concerned that the reduction in stocks of sand eels by industrial fishing boats is becoming so severe that it threatens a further crash in the populations of "table" fish such as cod, haddock, whiting and mackerel, as well as the future of salmon, sea trout, sea birds and sea mammals.

Greenpeace says that out of 700,000 tonnes of the fingerlength fish hoovered up in fine mesh nets from the North Sea each year, 115,000 tonnes come from Wee Bankie in the Firth of Forth, the area involved in the current conflict. Factories turning sand eels into fish oil offer £50 to £60 a tonne for the

Yesterday afternoon there

was a stand-off as the fishermen and activists decided on their next course of action, after Greenpeace said that its ship MV Sirius was rammed about 9am by the Mette Eliasen, one of ten Danish vessels involved in industrial fishing in the area. Phil Aikman, on board Sirius, said: There have been frightening moments. We are determined to continue our A spokesman for the Scot-tish Office said the Royal

Navy vessel HMS Shetland had been sent to the area under the control of the Fisheries Protection Agency, It will keep a watching brief on the Danish industrial fishing

spokesmen deny their activi-ties harm cod or haddock stocks. They blame the decline in populations on traditional At present only the sand-cel

fisheries around Shetland are regulated. The sandy bottomed fisheries in the Firth of

pean Union's Common Fishery Policy, which guarantees equal access to all EU nations. Greenpeace is calling on the Government to introduce regulations and has urged Danish and British fishing vessels to stay at least 30 miles away from the shore. Robbie Kelman, a Greenpeace spokesman, said: "A total of 22 million tonnes of fish is taken from British waters each year. Of that, around half is industrial fishing and of that, sand eels account for almost three quarters of the total stock."

Earlier this year the Fife Fish Producers Association appealed to the Government to limit sand-eel fishing in the Firth of Forth, claiming the livelihoods of 140 fishermen were are risk because of the effects on stocks of white fish for human consumption. There was also concern

yesterday over the Greenpeace tactics. Robert Allan, of the Scottish Fishermen's Federation, said he was aware of the concerns about sand-eel fishing and his organisation was closely monitoring the situa-tion, but the Danish fishermen were fishing legally: "What we are concerned about is an uncleated body such as Greenpeace interfering in this way. It could be our turn

The central fears of the Greenpeace campaign are shared by other conservation groups. Dr Euan Dunn, a biologist with the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, said: "Sand eels are the lynch pin of the food chain in the North Sea, yet they are the only fish species for which no limit to the catch has been set." Commercial fishing of sand eels was banned for four years

around the Shetland Islands after the species had been virtually eliminated, leading to successive years of breeding failure among local seabirds. Stocks recovered sufficiently for the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea to allow limited local catches. Sea-bird populations have begun to recover.



Moral censure by Britain angers whaling nations

By NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

resumption of whale hunting in the foresceable future because it is cruel and unnecessary, the Government announced yesterday.

At the opening of the Inter-national Whaling Commission's annual meeting in Aberdeen, a minister said for the first time that the worldwide ban was supported on ethical rather than scientific grounds. Japan and Norway, which want immediate resumption of hunting of some species, reacted by calling for Britain's resignation from the

The Government is to press the commission to focus on non-lethal ways of utilising whales, such as tourism. At the meeting, a tough code of conduct for holiday companies running whale-watching trips was put forward.

Britain's announcement yesterday challenged the 50-yearold international treaty intended to govern the man-agement of the world's whale stocks so that they can be exploited by current and future generations".

Norway and Japan say that the minke, the smallest of the reat whales, is now so abundant that they can be hunted without endangering stocks.
Norway's estimate of the
minke population in the
northeast Atlantic has been accepted by the commission's scientists.

But Tony Baldry, the Fisheries Minister, said: "The Government has now concluded that there are wider reasons for opposing com-mercial whaling. It meets no essing nutritional, economic or social needs ... the UK does not accept that because

something can be exploited on a sustainable basis, it must be exploited. No one in Norway is going to go hungry if they can't kill whales."

Ivor Llewellyn, the British commissioner, it was doubtful that the minke could be hunted commercially without rarer species being slaugh-tered mistakenly or illegally. Britain's position is backed by The Netherlands, Australia and New Zealand. The commission's code of

conduct for holiday firms follows evidence that unregulated mammal-watching is altering the behaviour of whales, dolphins and porpoises. Conservationists have backed whale-watching as a money-making alternative to hunting for coastal communities. But it may be interfering with fertility and the animals ability to forage for food.

Shrinking rivers trap thousands of salmon

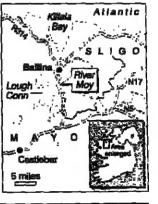
BY AUDREY MAGEE

THOUSANDS of wild salmon have been trapped by falling river levels in the west of Ireland.

Dry weather has depleted the Moy, one of Ireland's best salmon fishing rivers, and its tributary, the Deale. Thou-sands of fish have congregated in the tidal waters at the mouth of the Moy estuary. waiting for heavy rains to raise the water level. Vincent Roche, chief officer

of the North Regional Fisheries Board, said they were keeping a 24-hour watch to protect the fish from poachers. He estimated that up to 5,000 salmon were trapped in the six-mile estuary between Ballina, Co Mayo, and Killala Bay, where the river reaches the Atlantic. It is quite a speciacle to see people hang-ing over the bridges watching the salmon jumping," he said. Rain was expected this week to allow the fish to return to their spawning grounds in the 63-mile Moy, which rises in the Ox mountains in Sligo. Twenty miles of the river are fished by anglers. The season runs from February 1 to

September 30. The Deale has the additionproblem of sink holes, limestone cavities that drain water from the river. Mr Roche said these were helping to put thousands of salmon at risk of death. If it gets particuarly low we would have to fill the holes or divert the flow of the water.



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Airline switches troubled jet after protests

By HARVEY ELLIOTT AIR CORRESPONDENT

AN AIRLINE chartered a replacement jet yesterday after passengers refused to board an aircraft with technical

The McDonnell Douglas DC-10, operated by Excalibur Airways of Derby, was involved in two similar incidents in Orlando two weeks ago when passengers also refused

It was due to fly from Manchester to Orlando on Sunday when it was delayed by a series of problems. The first delay was caused by a cracked windscreen, which was replaced. As passengers began taking their seats, a fault with the anti-skid braking system was discovered. Then, after that was repaired and the jet was taxi-ing for take-off, the pilot reported a warning light indicating a serious engine problem.

Checks showed this was a false alarm but passengers had to be taken to hotels while engineers tried to trace the problem. A noise curfew in the early hours meant it was impossible to carry out full engine "run-up" tests, so a decision was taken to bring in a replacement aircraft.

Scott Keenan, 28, an acc ountant from Leeds, said: Everyone was really worried about getting back on that plane. We said that we wanted them to charter a plane to get us to Florida, and we're very relieved they have."

Tracy Ramsay, of Rochdale, Greater Manchester, who was travelling with her partner, Ged, and her brother and sister. said: "There's no way I would have got back on the plane."

Excalibur praised the pilot and said that he was simply being prudent in not taking off when there were apparent faults. The aircraft's owner, Henry Fabry of Skyjet, said that it was in extremely good condition and had been fully

New RAF missile will cut risks to crew and plane

DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE RAF is to be provided with a cruise missile that can be fired 300 miles from the target and still guarantee a direct hit. An order worth £650 million is to be announced by Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, next month.

Seven consortiums are competing for the contract to supply the RAF with the missile, although the procurement battle appears to be narrowing to three front-runners, one American and two European - all of them with strong British involvement.

The new conventionally armed stand-off missile, Casom, will greatly reduce the risks faced by RAF frontline bomber crews, who have to release their bombs close to

A single Casom weapon costing an estimated £100,000 to £200,000 will have the destructive power of about three or four of today's 1,000 lb laser-guided bombs, each of which costs £25.000.

The high cost of the new missile will be offset by safety factors. At present, an RAF bombing mission to destroy a hardened target could involve



Portillo: to announce order worth £650m

four aircraft, three armed with 1,000 lb bombs and one equipped with a thermal-imaging laser-designation sys-tem to guide the bombs to their target. The pilots must launch the bombs into the "cone" of the laser beam to hir

The aircraft have to launch their bombs from about 15,000 ft, two or three miles from the target, making them dangerously vulnerable to ground-to-air missile attack. The RAF has just taken delivery of a new 2,000 ib Paveway

III bomb, which has similar destructive power to a Casom, but it also has to be laserguided and launched close to the target.

Mr Portillo is under pressure to choose the European option in selecting the winner of the Casom contract. The favourite appears to be

McDonnell Douglas, the giant American defence company, which has teamed up with British companies including GEC-Marconi, Hunting Engineering and Lucas Aerospace, to produce a miss-ile called Grand Slam. French and German de

fence companies have formed consortiums with British firms to try to snatch the missile contract from the Americans. The Paris and Bonn governments are keeping a close watch because the whole future of a proposed European defence industry

The two European consortiums seen as the closest rivals to McDonnell Douglas are led by British Aerospace Dynamics in partnership with the French company Matra, offering Storm Shadow, a development of France's Apache Aerospace with Sweden's Bo-

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fors and a number of British firms, with its Taurus missile. The Taurus is believed to be

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one of the cheapest. Provided the price is reduced, the British Aerospace-Matra bid is reckoned to have a good chance of winning the contract. Some French defence officials suspect that Mr Portillo will find the American alternative difficult to resist, especially since McDonnell Douglas is thought to be cutting its price. Last year he approved the purchase of American Anache attack heliconters for the British Army in preference to the Franco-Ger-

£100,000 each

The other Casom bids con-

called Air Hawk, developed by the American company Hughes and Britain's Smith Industries; Pegasus, a system developed by Rafael: and another American missile pro-

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The Saxon rolled down the side of

the steep mountain before smashing into a deserted building. Sergeant Panting said: "By the time I came to, I

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IRA bomb factory had 60kg of Semtex

grams of Sentex in a bombmaking factory and bunker uncovered last week, if was disclosed yesterday. The site, on a farm outside Clonaslee. Co Laois, was believed to be the IRA's primary bomb and mortar-manufacturing facility. Home-made explosives. mortars, detonators and firearms were also found. Four men are in custody.

The Semtex haul was four times the amount used in a bomb that failed to detonate in April under Hammersmith Bridge, west London.

Damages for girl

Hollie Calladine, 8, of Neth-erfield, Nottinghamshire, whose brain was almost totally destroyed after a mistake by doctors at her birth at Nottingham University Hospital, is to receive substantial damages after a settlement by the health authority.

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Store blackmailer

A man who threatened to poison Safeway food unless he was paid £10,000 was jailed for seven years for demanding money with men-aces. DNA tests showed that Geoffrey Kirby, 52, of Wolverhampton, had licked the stamp on the blackmail letter.

Looter jailed

A man who stole from a shop damaged in the Manchester bomb blast was jailed for three months by city magistrates. Simon Lees, 24, of Middleton, admitted taking a silver-plated spoon and three soft toys after going past a security barrier.

£10,000 whisky

David Birrell, a Scottish botelier, has paid £10,000 for one of the three last bottles of Macallan 60-year-old single malt whisky. He said that after recent purchases of the rare whisky by Japanese visitors, he wanted at least-one bottle to stay in its homeland.

Death-crash peace patrol had abandoned helmets



Private Turner: was serving as Bosnia peacekeeper

By MICHAEL EVANS

THREE British soldiers killed in Bosnia when their armoured vehicle crashed down a slope were not wearing helmets because they were serving as "friendly" peacekeepers, the inquest into their deaths was told yesterday.

The soldiers, from the Royal Gloucestershire, Berkshire and Wiltshire Regiments, were among eight British peacekeepers in the four-wheeled Saxon which was on patrol along a narrow mountain track with hairpin bends. The inquest was told that the Saxon was loaded with extra supplies, including boxes of more than 2,000 rounds of ammunition for a heavy machinegun.

One of the survivors of the crash,

Sergeant Andrew Panting, who was in command of the Saxon, said there had not been room for the boxes of ammunition to be stowed away and that it might have come loose during the fall. He also said two seatbelts had been missing and his men had not been wearing helmets because they

wanted to present a "friendly image". The death of the three soldiers, Privates Christopher Turner, 18, from Amesbury in Wiltshire, Philip Armstrong, 21, from Bristol, and Martin Dowdell, 19, from Dauntsey in Wiltshire, on September 2, 1994, occurred while the Saxon was patrolling near the Bosnian government-held enclave Gorazde in eastern Bosnia, where

the regiment was based. Sergeant Panting said: "The Saxons were the only vehicles that we could use for patrols and the countryside was very mountainous. There were many hairpin bends and you had to use for ward and reverse gears. The tracks were too narrow to get through."

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The inquest at Salisbury heard that the Saxon was travelling at only 5 mph when the wheels became stuck in a groove and Private Dowdell, the driver, had difficulty controlling the vehicle. Sergeant Panting told David Masters, the Wiltshire Coroner: "The vehicle was travelling downhill and the track was hard and dusty. The right front wheel got caught in the rut and I felt it acted like a train track and we followed the rut."

He added: "Private Dowdell tried to drive out of it and the motion of getting

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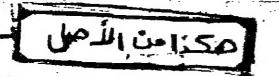
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Labour may offer jobless chance of dole cash 'gamble'

By JILL SHERMAN, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE unemployed would be able to take a business gamble with an advance payment of up to £1,400 in benefits under social security changes pro-

They could be paid a lump sum of up to six months' benefit to set up a business or spend on training courses. But if their business collapsed or they failed to get a job at the end of a training course they would get no further pay-ments for six months.

Under the scheme, outlined yesterday by Chris Smith, the Shadow Social Security Secretary, claimants could end up with different levels of benefit depending on their circum-stances. Benefit officers would be assigned to claimants to decide how to spend benefit and training entitlements. A person could choose to keep less benefit for himself and use the rest to supplement his training to increase his chance of finding a job.

Claimants could also choose to put some or all of their benefit towards a financial incentive to prospective employers or towards the cost of

be about giving people a hand not just a handout," Mr Smith said. "The DSS should be helping people into The scheme, designed

curb the £90 billion social security bill, would be piloted in the first year of a Labour government. It was attacked leftwingers who said that it heralded an end to a universal unemployment benefit and would give more power to social security officers.

Welfare experts also criticised the proposals to remove a safety net altogether from some of Britain's most vulner-

Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, said that Labour's policies, outlined in a document called Getting Welfare to Work, would "put people out of work and back on welfare". He added: "Labour now mimic Conservative rhetoric about the importance of getting people into jobs. But not only would their policies keep people out of work. They would cost billions of extra

But Mr Smith predicted that the changes could result in 200,000 people getting jobs within four and a half years, saving the taxpayer £1.8 billion. He emphasised that none of the new measures estimated to cost £200 million would be introduced until the party had secured housing benefit fraud

jobs, not just dishing out savings, which are expected to raise £l billion within a year. Mr Smith has lost his battle with Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, to extend the six-month entitlement of the jobseeker's allowance. Mr Smith said the benefit would be reviewed and that steps might be taken to remove the disincentive for a working wife to stay in her job if her husband became unemployed. But he added: "There is no public expenditure com-

> tributory entitlement." Mr Smith has borrowed heavily from personalised benefit schemes in Australia and America, where the benefit system is tailored to individual need. But he indicated that a Labour government would use the schemes only as a

mitment to restore jobseeker's

allowance to 12 months' con-

He made clear that Labour could not make the childcare commitments inherent in the Australian Jobs, Education and Training Scheme.

Other proposals in the policy document, which had to be rewritten after it was rejected on the grounds of cost by Labour's economic commission, include a network of onestop shops for benefits and employment advice, with the aim of a single form for



Chris Smith, right, announcing the scheme with frontbench colleague Peter Mandelson

claiming all major benefits; allowing the long-term unemployed to take occasional jobs relaxing the 16-hour limit on further education courses to allow claimants to study for longer without losing benefit: automatic re-entitlement to benefit if a temporary or risky

job ends within six months. Jeremy Corbyn, the leftwing MP for Islington North, said that the flexible system was a great mistake. "Surely if we live in one country then the benefit should be universal in that countr

Dr Ruth Lister, a member of the Commission on Social

report on benefit changes, also had doubts. She gave warning of the potential problems of combining training and benefit. "I think there is a danger of putting the two together if then you're leaving people vulnera-ble to being left without any money at all."

Reshuffle will not alter poor Tory prospects

season has now officially started. Leaks, hints. hopes and rumours are now swirling around Westminster and the press. Some are inspired, others reflect Cabinet inlighting - with more than a suspicion of score from Conservative Central Office — but most are plain guesses. Nobody, least of all affected ministers, will know until John Major changes his team in a few weeks' time. The one certainty is that the moves will make no difference to the Tories' elec-

toral prospects.

Most reshuffles make no impact on the governing par-ty's standing. If you take party ratings in the three months before and after reshuffles according to MORI's polls for The Times, the Tories' share fell in both 1993 and 1994—for unconnected reasons to do with party divisions — and only rose fractionally after last year's reshuffle. There is no great mystery about this. Reshuffles are classic Westminster stories, of consuming interest to the political world but of virtually no signifi-cance to the public. With rare mainly involve MPs and ministers of whom most people have never heard anyway.

The only shuffles which matter for the standing of a Government, or in the public eye, are those which result in a change of policy. The most important was the "Night of the Long Knives" in July 1962 when Harold Macmillan dismissed a third of his Cabinet. The initial impression of prime ministerial panic hurt the Tories, but, in the long term, the replacement of the "If the monopoly had to be lifted, it would be because the interests of the public required fiscally cautious Selwyn Lloyd by the more expansionist Reginald Maudling helped the party two years later to come within a whisker of saving the October 1964 general election.

Next month's restruffle will not be of this type, despite the Tory Right's fantasy of getting rid of Kenneth Clarke. Not only would this be seen as a probably terminal sign of panic on the part of Mr Major, but there is no subsequent policy shift that could help the Tories. Ruling out membership of a single cur-rency might precipitate an

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ly disenchanted pro-Europeans, while a new Chancellor would soon discover how the tight fiscal outlook rules out any but the most cosmetic tax cuts in November.

The only certain changes are the departure of two ministers of state, Tim Eggar and Steve Norris, who have already announced their intention to stand down as MPs at the next election. That will produce a ripple of changes among virtually interchange able career politicians. At this stage of the Parliament, after a series of reshuffles and resignations, there is not much obvious talent available

for promotion. Mr Major is said to be eluctant to make changes at Cabinet level, and there are none that would make much political or electoral impact. it will presumably be up to Sir Patrick Mayhew whether he steps down as Northern Ireland Secretary this sum-mer ahead of his expected departure from the Commons at the election. And the promotion of Michael Ancram to fill his place would be intended to show continuity of

The main speculation is about Douglas Hogg. It is silly to treat him as the scapegoat for the Govern-His reading of the crisis has been shrewder than many of his more excitable colleagues. He may not be a figure for the age of the soundbite, but responsibility goes much wider than him and goes back much earlier than his 12month tenure at the Ministry of Agriculture. However. there is strong criticism in Whitehall of the department's

performance with suggestions that it needs to be reorganised or broken up. But such structural issues are best left until after the election. The reshuffle will be primarily a matter of party and

career management neces-

sary but not significant, and

no solution for the Govern-

ment's problems. PETER RIDDELL

Asian businessman wins battle for seat

THE Asian businessman Mohammed Sarwar was declared winner of the re-run Labour candidacy contest in Glasgow Govan yesterday by 82 votes (Gillian Bowditch

The ballot between Mr Sarwar, a millionaire Muslim, and Mike Watson, the MP for Glasgow Central, was the culmination of a bitter two-year battle between the two men that has deeply embarrassed the party and dragged it through the courts.

Mr Sarwar won a resound-

In the first ballot last December Mr Watson, who has heen an MP for seven years, won by one vote. There were allegations of vote rigging and 52 votes were disallowed.

Last week Mr Watson, whose Glasgow Central constituency is disappearing under changes by the Boundary Commission, took the party to court hoping to postpone yesterday's ballot and to have 25 voters ruled ineligible. He lost but even if he had succeeded. Mr Sarwar

Lang may lift postal monopoly to handle. He denied reports

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

THE Royal Mail could have its monopoly suspended and risk losing business to the private sector if postal workers go on strike again, the Gov-ernment said yesterday.

Ian Lang, the President of the Board of Frade, issued the warning as leaders of the Communication Workers' Union met Royal Mail managers for talks on averting a second strike. He said that he and his Cabinet colleagues were considering dealing with any further disruption by lifting the monopoly on letter deliveries costing less than El over the weekend that he was bowing to pressure from Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister. But close colleagues of Mr Heseltine insisted that he had written to Mr Lang urging him to take

tough action.
"Mr Heseltine and I have been in agreement for some considerable time that clearly the mail has to be delivered," Mr Lang said. Making clear that the move would be a "collective" decision by ministers, he said: "It's not Mr Heseltine. That is a fiction."

However, there appeared to be differences between the two ministers over the timing of

in the dispute. Friends of Mr Lang said he was adamant that Mr Heseltine should not dictate the running of the deoariment

Mr Heseltine wants to press the Royal Mail to take a tougher line against postal workers by threatening them with the temporary loss of monopoly on strike days. However, Mr Lang is looking to use the monopoly card only

He told BBC Radio 4's The World at One: "We can't have the public and business being disrupted by repeated strikes, and the lifting of the monopoly could be an option at some

strong measure to take, but we have an obligation to ensure the mail is delivered. If it comes to that, it's something I would not yet be willing to rule

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Heavy euro selling by Bonn to sway a sceptical public

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

THE German Government yesterday opened its public relations offensive to persuade its stubbornly sceptical citizens that it will be worth abandoning the mark for a single European currency.

An opinion poll published in Der Spiegel indicated the depth of opposition to European monetary union and the relative failure of the Government's previous attempts to talk the Germans round: 52 per cent of the country is firmly against the euro.

The advertising campaign is being run by a coalition of the Bonn Government, the European Parliament and the European Commission with a war chest amounting to about £10 million. Posters to be distributed nationwide will carry the slogan "Europe has a future" and will portray the word euro surrounded by 12 stars. A euro "hotline" will try to calm the fears of German savers. Brochures are being run off by the thousand.

The money does not stretch to television advertising but various industrial lobbies and, above all, the big banks are willing to chip in. Public relations specialists are warning the Government, however, that it will be difficult to sell a product that does not yet exist.

Some of the deep German splits over the euro became plain at the weekend during a conference held by the Herrhausen Foundation. Roland Berger, a management consultant, told the gathering of politicians and bankers: "The positive effects of the euro are

being exaggerated out of all proportion." Joachim Süchting. a Bochum economics professor, expressed doubts that "Germany will ever be able to meet the monetary union criteria".

Wolfgang Schäuble, the Christian Democrat parliamentary leader and righthand man of Helmut Kohl. the Chancellor, tried to squash the dissenters with a firm declaration that Germany would never accept relaxation of the entry criteria.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development said last week that budget deficits in Germany and France would be significantly higher next year than required by the Maastricht treaty. Germany says its spending cuts — still strug-gling through parliament — will bring its deficit into line by the end of 1997.

The key to persuading the Germans that EMU is not



Kohl: holds the key to

only feasible but also desirable lies with Herr Kohl rather than with the PR experts. The recent visit to Bonn by Tony Blair helped to focus analysts on the subtle changes that have been occurring in Herr Kohl's European strategy over the past year.

First, he has resolved to stand again in the 1998 elections. He evidently wants EMU to be his crowning historical act. Second, he has come to the conclusion that EMU will start on time, and with German participation. The hints of EMU delay from German politicians, so common a year ago, have been dropped. Third, he assumes Mr Blair will be leading a British government which will be in the chair of the European presidency during the critical first six months of 1998.

The Chancellor is adapting his rhetoric accordingly. Now the smoke has cleared from the beef battlefield, he is talking more often of the need for a new German patriotism within Europe. Theo Waigel, the Finance Minister, joined the chorus last week with an article calling for a new self-confident Germany. The reason is clear: to carry off the double task of EMU entry and winning the general elections in 1998, the Chancellor has to move to the right and occupy the positions taken by the nationalist-minded defenders of the mark.

This political reorientation, rather than grand advertising campaigns, will be decisive in his battle for the euro.



streaming from his face, is led away by a riot policems during clashes yesterday in the centre of Ankara, the Turkish capital. Murat Boslak, leader of the Kurdish activist People's Democracy Party, was arrested during

Kurds clash with police

the unrest, as were 30 of his aides. Twenty-two people were injured in the clashes, and Turkish television

howed pictures of police beating participants protest-ing at the arrests. Three other members of the party er members of the party were shot dead by a group of ten attackers firing automatic weapons on a road near Kayseri, in central Turkey,

Zyuganov puts grand coalition offer to Yeltsin FROM THOMAS DE WAAL IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S Communist Party leader, Gennadi Zyuganov. short of ideas ahead of the run-off of the presidential election against President Yehsin on July 3, yesterday proposed a "pact of national accord" that would include members of the present Government.

In a belated attempt to develop a more moderate image, Mr Zyuganov released a list of possible members of a coalition government, in which Communist hardliners. such as the former Politburo member, Anatoli Łukyanov, were noticeably absent. He said he would like to see a tripartite government in which one third was drawn from his own "national-patriotic forces", one third came from non-Communists in parliament and one third from the present Government.

After outlining the plan he refused to answer questions, leaving unexplained what role he saw for himself in such a government and whether he would change his mind if he defeated Mr Yeltsin in the second round.

The enterprise smacked of desperation from a candidate, who has to make up a lot of ground to overtake President Yeltsin on July 3. In the first round on June 16 he trailed the President by almost 2.5 million votes. To add to the Communist leader's woes, Mr Yeltsin has since been endorsed by all the main alsorans from the first round, including Vladimir Zhir-inovsky, the eccentric ultranationalist, who came fifth last Sunday with 4.3 million

Mr Zyuganov appears to be short of funds and has not produced a single television advertisment throughout the campaign. He has not even announced any campaign trips before the second round.

Mr Yeltsin has outwitted his main rival by appointing the third-placed candidate, Aleksandr Lebed, to his administration and dismissing three nowerful hardliners, who were thought to be sympathetic to the Communists and who were obvious candidates for a coalition government.

Mr Zyuganov's decision to appear more moderate and woo middle-ground voters still looks rather half-hearted. A congenital nationalist, he released a statement entitled The Fatherland is in danger last Thursday, which talked about a "fifth column" plotting to take over the country and overthrow Mr Yeltsin.

Another sign of desperation is Mr Zyuganov's habit of praising politicians as potential allies and future members of his government without talking to them. One such was Eduard Rossel, the Governor of Sverdlovsk region, who said he was surprised to hear his name mentioned by Mr Zyuganov and had not been consulted by him.

"I support the actions of the current President and I will do everything to see that Yeltsin elected for a second term," he said, "I think this all looks like some kind of death agony of the Communists.

Pupils' bonus for silkworms

Moscow: Schoolchildren in Russia's Far East have been mobilised to fight an invasion of silkworms, and are being paid 12p for every jar of the creatures they can collect. An army of silksurrounding forests and marched into the city of Amursk, destroying green-ery in its path. (Reuter)

Grozny: Lieutenant-General Vyacheslav Tikhomirov, commander of Russian forces in Chechenia, said last night he would begin pulling troops out of the rebellious republic at the end of this week.

News agencies quoted him as saying that the move was unilateral and imposed no new conditions on the separatist guerrillas who have fought the Russian Army for 18 months. "Now the ball is in

their court," the general said. Chechen separatists and the Russian Government agreed at peace talks earlier this month that a withdrawal of pleted by August 30, with the rebels laying down arms at the same time. (Reuter)

Peace brings pilgrims back to village of the Virgin FROM STACY SULLIVAN IN MEDICGORIE who were playing on Mount Podbrdo tried to cover up the claims, the more

THE open-air Mass yesterday at the Church of St James in Medjugorje was packed with international pilgrims who came to this Bosnian Croat village to pay homage to a place they believe the Virgin Mary chose to make contact with the world

15 years ago.

The alleged apparitions of the Virgin began on June 25, 1981, when ning, repeating the messages of

above Medjugorje. They say the Virgin asked them to pray for peace. War gripped their country exactly ten years later. The communist authorities who were in power in Yugoslavia at the time denied that the visions had happened, interrogated the local priest and tried to silence the children. But the children said the Virgin Mary kept visiting them every eve-

media attention the apparitions received. As word spread, countless believers began to make pilgrimages

to Medjugorje.

Since then the sleepy little village situated in the centre of Croat nationalism has grown into a Roman Catholic holy land overflowing with busloads of pilgrims in search of the Virgin Mary. A new church and a shrine to the Madonna were built in

who run the Medjugorje parish say that about 20 million people have visited the village.

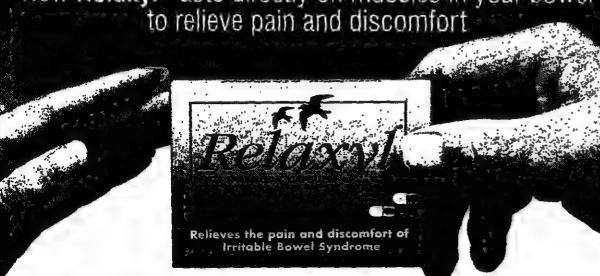
Their visits were curtailed when war broke out in Yugoslavia five years ago but, with peace in Bosnia and the anniversary of the apparition at hand, the pilgrims are back: 50,000 are expected this week. Jose Carreras, a committed Catholic, gave a concert in Medjugorje last weekend to mark the anniversary.

now, but four of the six say they still have daily apparitions. Vicka Ivan-kovic, now 31, delivers her message from the Virgin on the veranda of her mother's house on the 25th of each month. Marija Paviovic, also 31, is married and living in Italy: she says she still receives messages and sends them by fax to Medjugorje each month. The Franciscans pass on the messages to believers on a World Wide Web site.

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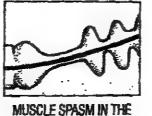
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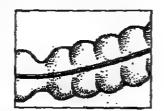
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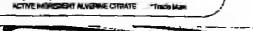




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EU wheat

IN PARIS

EUROPE'S summer grain harvest is just beginning but international dealers are already in a tug-of-war with European Union bureaucrats over where the much-needed grain should end up.

Farmers in France started to cut barley at the weekend. and wheat should follow in two weeks' time, experts said. But grain houses are peeved that their exports to other continents, where demand is soaring and prices high, are likely to be chopped again this year because European con-

sumers are being served first. "We have seen our exports drop 40 per cent this year and now in Brussels they are telling us it will happen all over again. It is quite absurd," a French grain exporter said

The EU, the world's biggest wheat producer after China. began taxing wheat in December to discourage exports as drought in other parts of the world threatened a run on EU wheat despite sky-high prices. Yet the policy started a brawl over supplies that seems certain to continue throughout the rest of 1996.

Dealers are furious that more and more wheat is being held back to be fed to animals inside Europe, while the business of shipping wheat to make bread in developing countries becomes more difficult due to the red tape of export controls.

Brussels is interfering with the market in a scandalous way." said a senior international trader who asked not to be identified. In America, there are fears that the EU's policy will increase hardship for livestock producers in an election year by keeping grain prices high worldwide.

EU ministers meeting in Luxembourg on Monday will debate changes to farm regulations to ensure that farmers have less incentive to hoard grain when supplies are tight. That will infuriate French farmers who deny they have anything to do with the grain price explosion in the past

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Hungary notes Biro ist in the 1930s, he noticed that

a belated tribute to Jozsef Laszlo Biro, the inventor of the ballpoint pen. An exhibition of his life opened in Budapest

yesterday. Biro - who was born in Budapest in 1899 and died in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1985 — created the most fam-

ous of his more than 100

1944 he sold the manufacturing rights in the United States for about £1.3 million. (AP)



AN EXCLUSIVE TIMES COMPETITION

Go for gold in Atlanta Win a trip to the Olympics worth £10,000

The Times has teamed up with Bausch & Lomb, worldwide sponsors of the Olympic games, and manu facturer of Ray-Ban sunglasses, to offer readers the chance to win a five-day trip for two to the 1996

Olympic Games in Atlanta.

worth E10,000.

There are also live runners-up prizes of Ray-Ban Xrays worth EL25 each. The star prize includes two economy return tickets with Delta Airlines, plus round-trip luxury airport transfers. The winner and a partner will spend four nights in first class accommodation at the Sheraton Suites Galleria. Atlanta (pictured), in a deluxe suite

with breakfast, lunch and dinner included. There will be tickets to the Olympic events and access to the Bausch & Lomb hospitality suites in the Downtown Sponsor Village

or Olympic Stadium Village. The prize winner will arrive in Atlanta on Tuesday, July 23 and depart on Saturday, July 27.

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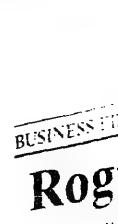


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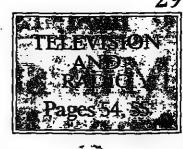
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BUSINESS EDITOR Lindsay Cook

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Rogue copper trader held by Japanese authorities

YASUO HAMANAKA, the Sumitomo trader held responsible for gambling away \$1.8 billion while speculating on the global copper markets, is being held in a safe house" by the Japanese authorities.

Until now it had been thought that the rogue copper dealer fled Japan as criminal and civil investigations into the scandal got underway in America. Britain and Japan. Inquiries by The Times, however, have established that Japanese authorities

spirited Mr Hamanaka to a safe house for an extensive debriefing spree became public. It is understood that Mr Hamanaka, known as Mr Five Per Cent - a reference to the share of the world copper market he controlled — has not been arrested or formally charged.

Among the first of the international investigating authorities hoping to have access to Mr Hamanaka is Andrew Jackson, the Serious Fraud Office lawyer heading the UK's criminal investigation into the copper affair. Mr Jackson, who hopes to fly to Japan this week, will be accompanied by a detective chief inspector from the City of London police and a senior forensic

The SFO wants to establish who

Mr Hamanaka traded with in London and whether a criminal offence was committed within UK jurisdiction. If, as seems likely at this stage, the Japanese authorities wish to press criminal charges against Mr Hamanaka, the SPO is not expected to file a countersource said last night: "We want this case to be seen as a model of international co-operation between investigating authorities."

It has also emerged that not all of Mr Hamanaka's trades were conducted from his Tokyo office at Sumitomo. A number of dealing instructions appear to have been issued by fax and telephone from his apartment in the Tokyo suburbs. Sumitomo Corporation is still try-ing to unscramble many of his copper deals, some of which were

London Metal Exchange, but via offshore centres such as Guernsey. It appears that experienced copper dealers realised what Mr Hamanaka was doing and sought to make profits by being one step ahead of him, which is not necessarily a criminal offence.

In London yesterday the price of copper for delivery in three months time - the market benchmark - fell to \$1,796 per torune, the lowest level since Janaury 1994. The nervous reaction of the market is based

partiy on the expectation that when Sumitomo has finally unwound Mr Hamanaka's trading positions the Japanese corporation could be fac-ing losses of nearly \$3 billion, almost twice the initial estimate.

☐ Vermont state police in America said that they were not reopening the case of a copper trader who died in a fire in 1991 after raising questions about the dealing of Yasuo Hamanaka (Richard Thomson writes). Paul Scully, the trader, was judged to have died accidentally in a fire at his home.

BUSINESS TODAY



Tribunal rejects pension claims

By Marianne Curphey

HOPES that 60,000 part-time workers would share up to £95 million in backdated occupational pensions were dashed yesterday when an employment tribunal failed to uphold most of their claims. The TUC said it was considering taking the case to the Appeal Court after a ruling by the Employment Appeal Tribunal that most of the particular tribunal tribunal tribunations. timers were not entitled to

backdated rights because their claims were "out of time". Up to 10,000 part-time workers whose claims were held to be valid could share £16 million as a result of the ruling.
The claims were first lodged

in November 1994 after a European Court of Justice ruling that employers who barred part-timers from pension schemes were guilty of indirect sex discrimination.

The CBI and the Federation of Small Businesses have expressed concern that a flood of claims for compensation could

cripple British industry. The TUC, which has been co-ordinating claims on behalf of teachers, health, bank and shop workers, said it was disappointed that Mr Justice Mummery had not ruled in favour of all 60,000 claimants. He said most of the cases were out of time because they were not lodged within six months of workers leaving their jobs, even though in most cases this would have been before the 1994 European Court of Justice ruling. John Monks, TUC General

Secretary, said: "Only Mystic Meg could have been expected to ... have submitted a claim before the European Court had made its ruling."

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Woolwich raises flotation stakes

BY ROBERT MILLER

THE WOOLWICH Building Society, which plans to be-come a £3 billion bank next year, yesterday moved to put its stock market flotation back on course by naming John Stewart as new group chief executive. He will replace Peter Robin-

son, who left the third-largest building society abruptly in April over allegations that he misused society perks and abused expenses. Mr Stewart, 47, the Wool-

wich's group operations director, immediately moved to raise the price for any potential bidder by stating that anyone who wished to buy the Woolwich would have to pay an arm and a leg". The Prudential and the Royal Bank of Scotland have emerged as the leading candi-

dates to make an offer.

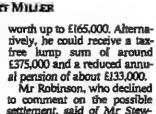
Any such bid is likely to value the Woolwich at up to £4 billion and could lead to 3.5 million borrowers and savers receiving an extra £125 over the average payout of £1,000 already planned.

The Prudential, Britain's largest insurer, had expressed an early interest in buying the Woolwich. Yesterday it said: "We never comment on speculation."

Mr Stewart, who joined the Woolwich in 1977, acknowledged that the society needed to get next year's planned flotation "back on track". He added: "Plenty of people have picked up the phone to us. Some of them you would take seriously, others you would not. When we join the stock market we will become a FT-SE 100 company, probably ranked somewhere between numbers 60 and 70."

Nevertheless, Mr Stewart added: "If someone came along with an alternative to what we propose we'll consider it, but it would have to be an umbelievable offer."
The Woolwich plans to an-

nounce within the next two to three days that it has reached a settlement with Mr Robinson, who has strenuously denied the allegations made against him. It is expected that Mr Robinson, 54, who was on a two-year contract with an annual salary of £300,000, will be allowed to draw an immediate annual pension, based on 33 years of service,



settlement, said of Mr Stewart's appointment: "He was my right-hand man for the better part of ten years. It is the only sensible appointment that could have been made. He will provide the necessary stability whereas an outside appointment could have been disruptive."

External candidates for the top Woolwich job were Andrew Longhurst, chief executive of the Cheltenham & Gloucester, now part of Lloyds Bank, and Charles Toner, managing director of Abbey National's retail division.

Sir Brian Jenkins, the chairman of Woolwich, said: "Following Peter Robinson's departure in April, it was necessary for the board to choose his successor carefully. To that end, we felt it imperative to measure the undoubted abilities of our internal candidate against a field generated by an executive search."

He continued: "With our new pic status. John Stewart's depth of experience, coupled with his development and acquisition skills, will come fully into play to fulfil the society's strategy of growth within the areas of life and unit trust business in the UK and development of our European operations."



John Stewart, described by the man be replaces at the beim of the Woolwich society as "the only sensible appointment that could have been made"

PowerGen ready to back down

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

POWERGEN is poised to back down on a challenge to the electricity regulator over the £450 million sale of power stations.

The company had said the sale of the power stations to Eastern, demanded by the regulator to increase competition, was in doubt until it got "regulatory certainty" about industry development after the Government's veto of its takeover of Midlands Electricity. It is not expected to have

received any such assurances. The climbdown will be the second by the company in the wake of the decision by lan Lang, President of the Board of Trade, to block the generators' bids for regional companies on the grounds of insufficient competition in

generation. Ed Wallis, chief executive, also raised the prospect of a judicial review but

then abandoned that action. The sale of the stations was ordered by Stephen Littlechild, the regulator, two years ago. Last year PowerGen struck a sale deal with Eastern, part of the Hanson conglomerate, but included a get-out clause if its Midlands bid was derailed.

After Mr Wallis's second threat to challenge Mr Lang's veto by stalling the sale of the stations, Offer is understood to have told PowerGen that the two issues were not connected and that the sales should proceed. PowerGen refused to comment yesterday.

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Hinchliffe's shoe shops draw interest

By JASON NISSE

PRICE WATERHOUSE, administrator of the three Stephen Hinchliffe companies that bought the Free-man Hardy Willis and Saxone shoe shop chains from Sears, have received more than 100 expressions of interest in the businesses.

The accountancy firm is now evaluating the bids and says that it should have news by the time it calls a creditors' meeting, expected in less than a month.

The 379 stores were put in administration three weeks ago at the behest of Sears, which is owed more than £6 million. The giant retailer still owns the shops' leases, but is in talks with the landlords about transferring them.

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extension in doubt By Sarah Cunningham EUROTUNNEL's embattled

management was dealt a new blow yesterday when the Department of Transport said that the British Government could see no public interest in extending its operating licence. The possibility of a 30 or 40-

year extension to the current licence, which Eurotunnel has been pushing for, was raised by President Jacques Chirac during a recent visit to London. The current licence

runs out in 2052. The DoT said the British Government would have to

know more about the French Government's position before it could even consider a licence extension. Eurotumnel declined to comment beyond saying that talks with both

governments over the terms of its initial concession are continuing.

The licence was extended for ten years in 1993 after the two governments and Eurotunnel reached a compromise over some earlier disagreements. A further extension would add to the value of the company and help it in its talks with banks about restructuring its nearly £9 billion of debt. Shareholders at the annual

meeting on Thursday in Paris will have to approve any deal between Eurotunnel and its 225 banks. Some shareholders have indicated that they are willing to accept a debt-forequity swap of up to 49 per

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Sugar considers cashing in his chips at Amstrad



Sugar. 34 per cent stake

BY JASON NESTE

ALAN SUGAR, who founded Amstrad, the electronics group, 28 years ago, is considering selling out to Psion, the hand-held computer maker, in a £200 million deal.

The Times has been told by wellplaced sources that David Potter, Psion's chairman and chief executive, is considering an offer for Amstrad. Any deal would need the agreement of Mr Sugar, who owns 34 per cent of Amstrad's shares.

It would value the company at more than one and a half times the £113 million Mr Sugar offered when shareAmstrad private at the end of 1992.

Neither Psion nor Amstrad would confirm that talks are taking place, but recent movement in the two companies' share prices indicates that the market considers something is about. Psion shares have been falling for the past few days, and lost 22p

yesterday to close at 375p, valuing the company at £265 million.

Amstrad shares, which have fallen from a high of 294p last year, rose 52p yesterday to close at 148p, valuing Amstrad at £175 million. Any offer

would have to be at a premium to the

Amstrad share price, pushing the

said he could not comment on market rumours. Asked about the falling share price he said: "We're fairly blass about our share price." No one at Amstrad was prepared to comment. Long-time Amstrad followers believe

Norman, marketing director of Psion,

that Mr Sugar is tired of having to justify the way he runs the company to the City and wants to concentrate more of his time on Tottenham Hotspur, the Premiership tootball club he controls.

Last year he was criticised by City analysis after David Rogers, the man-aging director he hired from Philips Electronics, resigned after only a few months at Amstrad. While Amstrad has suffered, Psion has been lauded in the City as it has grown on the back of the success of its hand-held computers. However, Psion has failed to break its dependence on one product line and believed to be attracted by Viglen. Amstrad's personal computer maker based in west London. Mr Sugar

recently moved a large amount of computer production from the Far East to Viglen, arguing that it was better equipped to respond to the rapidly changing market. However, Dancall. Amstrad's mobile phone business, remains a worry and is

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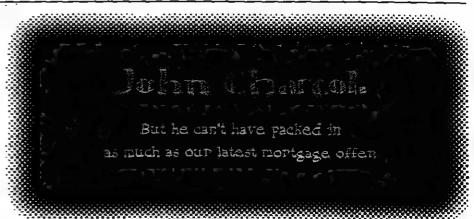
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Ministers ready to open Post Office to fuller competition

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE Government is ready to take a significant step towards further liberalisation of Britain's Post Office by supporting a European move towards freeing up large commercial

mailings.
Ministers are preparing to approve an important relax-ation across Europe of regulations governing the operation of the UK and other postal services. European postal minis-ters will meet on Thursday, and with Britain's support are expected to approve proposals that will provide for much fuller competition on bulk mail services - direct commercial mailings, which are a highly lucrative part of postal services, especially in the UK.

Despite the change, ministers believe the Post Office will remain advantageously placed to retain its bulk mail trade. But Labour will argue that the move amounts to "backdoor privatisation". Labour will maintain that the Post Office

will be left with responsibility for traditional postal areas. providing an opportunity for cherry-picking" by commercial carriers which could not compete in providing a comprehensive mail service.

The expected move in Europe this week is only the most notable signal of a greater willingness within government towards giving the Post Office greater freedom.

Moves towards any change in the Post Office's letter monopoly for all letters under £1, which ministers are considering in the light of the current postal strikes, also fit into this liberalising regime.

While ministers will not

make any immediate moves towards any suspension of the monopoly on the basis of last week's 24-hour strike by postal workers over pay, productivity and working patterns, they believe that if this week's planned one-day stoppage on Thursday is followed by oth-

ers or extended into longer strikes, they will come under irresistable pressure from business for the monopoly to be suspended.

lan Lang. President of the Board of Trade, confirmed yesterday that suspending the monopoly is an option, but he dismissed as "fiction" sugges-tions that Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister. had instructed the Department of Trade and Industry to

Mr Lang said: "I haven't had a letter from Mr Heseltine saying I hope you are preparing to suspend the monopoly, as I read in the newspapers."

Speaking on BBC radio, he said that suspending the mo-nopoly would be a fairly strong measure to take, but we have an obligation to ensure the mail is delivered". He added: "If it comes to that, it's something I would not yet be



Ken Brundell helped Shorts Brothers to overcome the serious blow of Fokker's collapse

Shorts survives Fokker failure

SHORTS BROTHERS, the aerospace and defence company based in Belfast, yesterday insisted that although the collapse of Fokker, one of its main customers, was a serious blow, it was not a threat to survival (Eileen McCabe

Shorts, which is owned by Bombardler, of Canada, reported a rise in annual pre-tax profit

to £33.8 million in the year to January 31, from £29.2 million in the previous year. However, operating profit dropped to £33.9 million from £36.6 million to spite of a rise in turnover to £391 million from £353 million.

Shorts, where Ken Brundell is vice-president, shed more than 1,000 staff in March after the Dutch aircraft maker collapsed.

KPMG is sued over collapse

KPMG, the accountants, are facing a £10 million legal claim from Electra Fleming. the venture capital group, over its role in an Irish leasing company that collapsed nearly three years ago.

KPMG's Irish arm were the auditors to Cambridge Group. which went into receivership with £80 million of debts in September 1993. This was just 17 months after Electra ploughed £10 million into the company through buying convertible bonds, a deal investigated for Electra by KPMG's London office.

After the collapse the bonds proved to be worthless, Now Electra is claiming that KPMG should have known about the problems in the company at the time of the £10 million investment. It is suing both the London and Dublin offices of the accountants. A KPMG spokesman said they would "defend the writs

forcefully". Cambridge was one of the most influential companies within Ireland before its collapse, owning a video distribution chain called Xtra-Vision and a stake in the Republic's second largest bookmaker.

Nabisco to cut global staff by 8%

FROM RICHARD THOMSON IN NEW YORK

NABISCO HOLDINGS, the US snacks and foods group, is cutting 4,200 jobs, about 8 per cent of its global workforce, in a major restructuring costing \$428 million.

Although the company is not planning to shut any US factories, it will close several overseas. The job cuts will be spread evenly among its 54,000 workforce, it said.

John Greeniaus, chairman and chief executive, said that the group was undertaking several fundamental changes that will allow Nabisco's operating companies to move faster, at significantly lower costs". He did not say how much the restructuring was expected to save, but said that savings would be invested in core activities and new products.

Introduction of new products, and increasing competi-tion, have forced Nabisco's costs up dramatically.

The restructing operation will eventually benefit the intended spinning-off of Nabisco Holdings from its owner, RJR Nabisco, which holds 80.5 per cent of the food company. The aim is to split the tobacco side from the food side.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Year-old biotech company to float

A BIOTECHNOLOGY company formed last year hopes to be worth as much as £30 million when it joins the Alternative Investment Market next month. Alizyme, a Cambridge business working on drugs to treat obesity, will have about 15 staff. The drugs it will develop are licensed from other companies and researchers, and it will use the laboratories of partners and contract research firms.

The company hopes to raise £12-15 million from a placing which looks set to make Andrew Porter, a former UBS analyst, a paper millionaire. Mr Porter, founder and chief executive, will own about 10 per cent of the enlarged company.

UniChem joint venture

UNICHEM, the pharmaceuticals and healthcare company, has formed a joint venture with United Drug, Ireland's largest pharmaceuticals distribution group, to distribute drugs to wholesalers in the UK. The joint venture, called UniDrug Distribution Group, is equally owned by the two partners and will also provide order processing and warehousing services. UniChem, whose bid for Lloyds Chemists has been referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, said the new business would require "minimal" new investment.

Saab capital boost

SAAB, the troubled Swedish car manufacturer, will receive Kr3.48 billion (£341 million) over the next two years from joint owners General Motors and Investor AB, the Swedish investment group. Investor and GM will each provide half the capital. GM will have the option to buy some or all of Investor's shares in Saab in 1999 and 2000. If that option is not exercised, investor can sell up to half its shares to GM in 2000. Saab reported a Kr333 million pre-tax loss in the first quarter of 1996. In 1995, it earned profits of Kr148 million.

Irish output rises

INDUSTRIAL production in Ireland increased by 0.3 per cent in the three months to February 1996 compared to the previous three months, according to seasonally adjusted figures released by the Central Statistics Office yesterday. Production in the manufacturing sector over the same period showed no change. However, the seasonally adjusted figure for production in the manufacturing sector for February 1996 was down 7.9 per cent on the same month last year. Janet Bush, page 33

Morgan Stanley deal

MORGAN STANLEY, the US investment bank, is buying one of America's biggest fund management operations for \$745 million. The acquisition of Van Kampen American Capital will increase assets under management at Morgan Stanley to nearly \$160 billion. The deal consists of cash and \$25 million in exchangeable preferred securities. Morgan Stanley is also taking on up to \$430 million in long-term debt. The sum of equity purchase price and outstanding debt will not exceed \$1.175 billion.

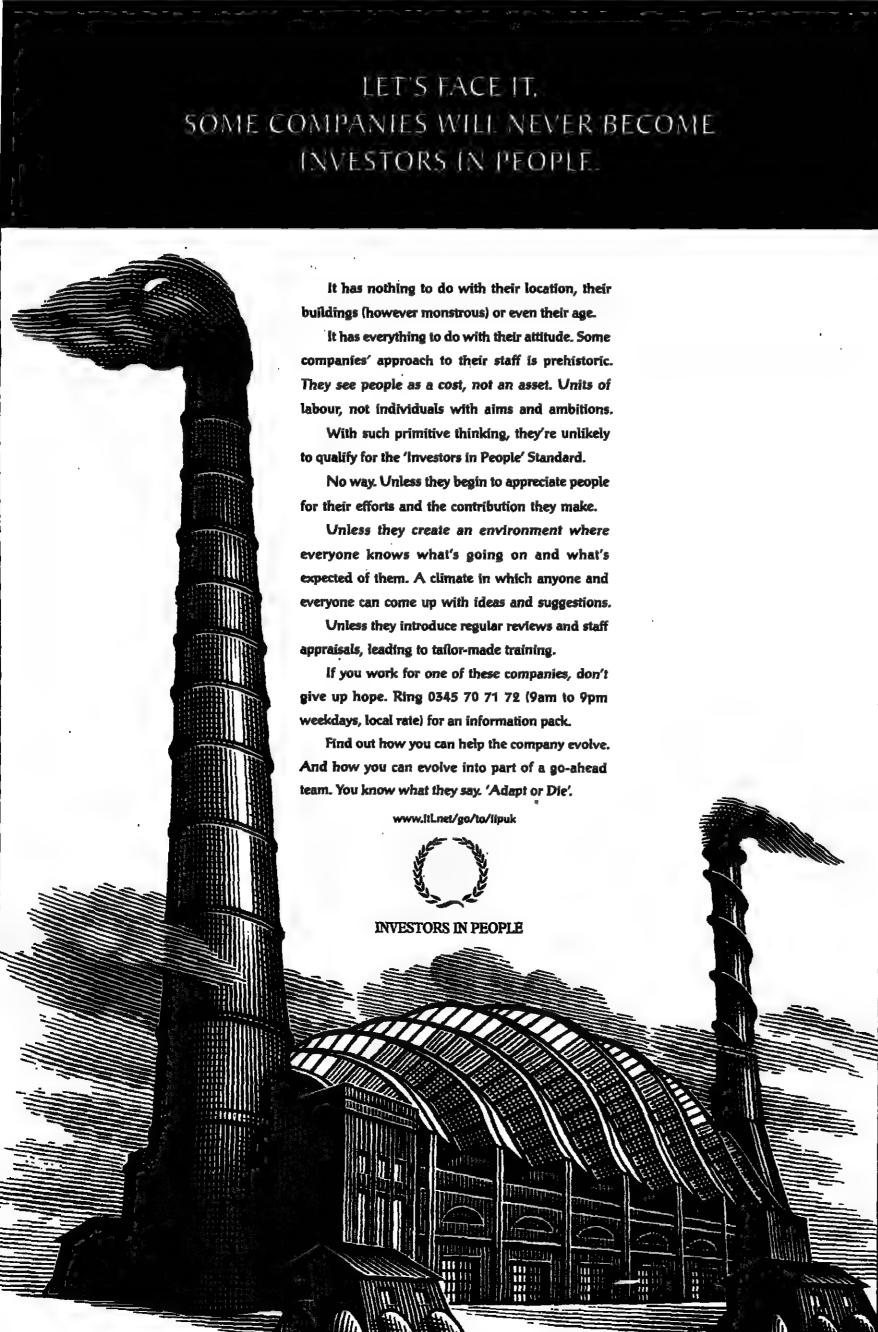
Unigate acquisition

UNIGATE, the food and distribution group, has bought the pork processing business of H. Hargrave & Co, of Spalding. Lincolnshire, for £18 million. The business employs nearly 700 people. Last year, 65 per cent of its £93.5 million total sales were in the UK, with the balance in Japan, Korea and continental Europe. In the year to September 30, operating profits were E2.1 million. Net assets on completion are estimated at £20 million. Hargrave will be part of Unigate's Malton subsidiary. Britain's leading pigmeat processor.

Fisher buys plants

ALBERT FISHER, the food production and distribution company, has agreed to pay £11 million for two frozen vegetable processing plants owned in Britain by Frigoscandia of Sweden. More than 90 per cent of the throughout of the plants of Crimchy University and throughput of the plants at Grimsby, Humberside, and King's Lynn. Norfolk, originates from Albert Fisher's frozen foods subsidiary. Net assets of the acquired businesses was £13.3 million at the end of 1995. Operating profits before exceptional items was £1.2 million last year.

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promised for years and was one of the main lorecasts made by those clever market strategists

for 1996 is little advanced, the

Royal/Sun Alliance merger ex-

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expensive, entry into the British market. But the betting at the moment, BAT having put itself out of the frame, is that they will

be beaten by the Royal Bank of

Scotland or more likely the

Prudential, keen to put past misdeeds behind it. "We're with the Woolwich" certainly has a

more reassuring ring than "We're with the Pru, and we've

Floated, the Woolwich is worth

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and the decision by appointing

an insider to put the society up for an effective auction can only

Sun Life's

shares at

discount on

grey market

By Marianne Curphey

general insurance sectors are

parent company. Union des Assurances de Paris, France's

second-largest insurer, a total

of Fr4 billion and triggered a

capital gain of more than Fir200 million. It retains a 60

per cent stake in the company.

a mixed welcome: some said it

could underperform in its

sector, dragged down by a high level of debt and less

successful parts of the busi-

ness. The company comprises Sun Life, the fourth-largest life

insurer in sales terms after

Standard Life, Prudential and

Equitable Life; Provincial

Holdings, the general insurer:

and New Ireland, a life and

pensions provider in the Re-

Robert Fleming, SLP's ad-

visers, have the option to

release an extra 33 million

shares in the market, which

would increase the total value

About 95 per cent of the

shares on offer went to institu-

tions, with a core of 60 firms,

mostly British, taking the ma-

Michael Hart, chief execu-

tive, said the shares would be

a long-term investment, and

that there were signs that the

life insurance market was

WESTMOUNT ENERGY,

the oil minnow which floated

on the Alternative Investment

Market last October, is dip-

ping its toes into exploration,

taking a 20 per cent share in a Falkland Islands oil company. Desire Petroleum is a pri-vate vehicle backed by 100 Falkland Islanders. Desire

has a 20 per cent interest in a

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starting to pick up.

Analysts gave the company

The flotation netted SLP's

overcrowded.

SHARES in Sun Life & Pro-

vincial Holdings (SLP) closed

at 232p yesterday, down 3p on the opening public offer price, in heavy turnover of 40 mil-

lion shares on the first day of

In total, 224 million shares

have been placed with institu-

tional investors, and analysts

said the issue had been two to

three times oversubscribed. Of-

ficial trading starts on July 2. The public offering had been priced at 235p, with a

A number of investors who

had received their full alloca-

tion were thought to have

taken the opportunity to sell

at £1.3 billion. It is the first in a

line of personal financial ser-

vices companies preparing to come to the market.

Three building societies -Northern Rock, Woolwich, and Alliance & Leicester -

have announced their inten-

tion to float. Friends Provi-

dent, the mutual life insurer, is

believed to be contemplating a

flotation after having consid-

ered approaches from poten-

tial buyers during the past few months. Norwich Union is undergoing a review of its strategy. Some in the City

question the wisdom of so

many flotations in so short a time and say that both life and

The placing capitalised SLP

value of £526 million.

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already mis-sold to you once."

☐ TO QUOTE Shaw's everuseful phrase, the Woolwich has

settled the principle and is now merely negotiating over the price. By appointing a hod-carrier with a safe pair of hands

and not much more to lead the

way towards the stock market,

the building society has as much as ensured that it never actually

So all that was left to John

Stewart yesterday was to empha-

sise just how expensive it would be to deflect the society from that

course. This is all well and good,

because if a buyer emerges, then

the proceeds going to the mem-bers should be maximised.

The assumption had been that the Woolwich would tempt some

charismatic figure from cor-

porate finance or the middle

ranks of a FT-SE company board

to continue the work done by

Peter Robinson before his sack-

ing. The non-appearance of such

a character suggests that the jobs market, too, has taken the view

that the company will never

achieve quoted status. Mr Stew-

art is an effective manager who has done a number of useful

corporate strategy jobs at the society over the past decade, but

he has never been accused of

being charismatic — quite the opposite, to judge from recent City presentations.

Unit trust

investment

falls back

Net new investment in

unit trusts in May fell to its

lowest level in six months

after two successive record

Net new investment in the 1,660 UK authorised

unit trusts was £621.2 mil-

lion, against El.1 billion in

April, the Association of

Unit Trusts and Investment Funds said yesterday.

Retail investors, who

have helped to increase

unitholder accounts to 7.4

million, contributed £573

Renison Goldfields Consol-

idated, the Australian min-

son has a 39 per cent con-trolling stake, has bid £41

million for Cudgen, a min-eral sand producer. RGC

bought 19.9 per cent of Cud-

gen from Gencor, of South

Africa, which is to sell RGC

its remaining 30 per cent if no higher offer arises.

The Industrial Develop-

ment Authority, which promotes inward invest-

ment in Ireland, assisted

in the creation of 11,500

jobs in 1995. The authority

is supporting 940 com-panies, together employ-

Willis Corroon, the insur-

ance broker, is to sell the Consumer Benefit Life in-

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coming from?

Did they not ask themselves, as many other people did at the time, where all his money was

Liam Strong, your chief exec-

utive, was taken on to tackle the problem of British Shoe Cor-

poration. How happy are you

with the progress made so far and how on earth is he going to get rid of your shoe shops now. And at what cost?

Mr Strong against mounting criticism from shareholders. What can he do to allow them to

share the confidence you have in

him? Over what timescale? And

what happens to him if he does not achieve this?

Quick on the trigger

SOUTHERN WATER may

have rolled over and surren-dered to the £1.7 billion offer from ScottishPower, but there

must be some doubt whether

such a surrender was the best for

shareholders. Scottish Power's

triggered the extra payment?

Yours, Pennington.

You have vigorously defended

ing oil companies, including Shell, Amerada Hess, British consortium wins a licence and Gas and Lasmo.

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departure prompted the auction? Still, at 54, relatively young, his negotiation of a settlement with the Woolwich allows him to leave with only a small and none-too-colour-fast stain on his

serve to increase that figure. Lucky old Woolwich members.

But what of Mr Robinson, whose

character, and he will presum-

ably re-emerge in the usual way

somewhere on the financial ser-

One way to ease Eurotunnel's

cash crisis might be to extend the life of the franchise to operate the

tunnel. This runs to 2052, which

might seem long enough, but it contrasts with the 1,000-year

public assets.

vices scene. But will he have to wait out his gardening leave? the fast rail link between London and Dover. The French have already accepted the idea, but Whitehall is dragging its feet. An extension would make the job of those trying to close the gap between the banks and the Further extension to the Tunnel A GOVERNMENT that has no compunction about selling off nuclear power by keeping all the Eurotunnel board easier because it would add to the value of the downside in the public domain has no right to lecture anyone about taking the long view on

£44.5 million. The group has

gearing of 7 per cent and has

made only minor purchases

since raising £52 million

through a rights issue in Febru-

ary last year. Steve Hannam, chief executive, said nothing was imminent, but added: "We

have a strong balance sheet and

we continue to look".

up 16p at 294p.

reign offered to the operator of

☐ Insurers circle, ahead of float ☐ Few clues on Eurotunnel's refinancing ☐ Questions for the Sears chairman

Weapons in the Woolwich arsenal

PENNINGTON

project and allow the extension of those Eurotunnel loans that must needs be repaid by the end of the franchise period. Thus investors, who will in due course include the banks, will either have lower interest bills or the prospect of a longer

British taxpayer for half a century. Eurotunnel's debt currently costs the best part of £1 billion a year to service, so even a modest improvement in rates would have an effect.

As it is, Sir Alastair Morton and his French counterpart Pat-rick Ponsolle will need all their skills at stonewalling at Thursday's annual meeting, because there will be little to report on either franchise extension or debt restructuring. Eventually the banks will end up with 30 to 60 per cent of the equity — this is the spread, and expect a result bang in the middle. Only then can the shares be valued in any rational way, which makes recent price rises baffling. Take the train, by all means, but avoid the shares.

An investor

writes . . . Dear Sir Bob Reid, Today you preside over your first annual meeting as the debt-free period once these are repaid — and all at no cost to the

questioning will be vigorous and to the point. But should the shareholders miss anything, here are a few issues we think they should address: Your annual report refers in

three places to selling the Free-man Hardy Willis and Saxone chains, saying once that losses have been eliminated and twice that the businesses have been sold. Given all we now know about your dealings with Stephen Hinchliffe and Facia on these two disposals, and the £25 million bill you face to cover further losses on the sale, don't you wish that you had not rushed into print so quickly?

You paid bonuses to all your

executive directors last year -

and one, Roger Groom, received

To what extent did your people check out Mr Hinchliffe's back-Sears chairman. As supporters ground before doing business effective corporate gov-

Homecare.

the maximum he was due. Given the company lost £119.7 million innovative offer was for £10.50. last year, could you please elaboor fill if another bidder emerged, rate on the mathematical basis which implies that the Scots were for these payments? happy to stump up another 50p if necessary. So should Southern not have held out to the last, in the hopes of another offer that

HoF management

should mean he receives about

JOHN COLEMAN, chief excompany announced a 50 per ecutive of House of Fraser, has cent fall in full-year profits. moved to silence the compa-Mr Hancock is expected to ny's critics by announcing a shake-up of its management. Two key merchanding dibe paid to the end of his 364day rolling contract, which

rectors have been appointed. and Tony Hancock, operations director, is leaving and being replaced by Stephen Hibbert, formerly of Texas

vate interests", the company Selfridges to be merchandissaid. Mr Jennings was ousted ing director for kitchen and dining ware and furniture.

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Coleman reshapes

£150,000 from the company. Mr Hibbert is a former operations director of Texas Homecare and of Dorothy

Mr Hancock, who was seen as a close ally of Mr Coleman's predecessor as chief ex-

Perkins and worked with Mr

Fraser from Littlewoods to be merchandising director for clothing, accessories and cosmetics. Rob Green joins from





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Lasmo, which is bidding for acreage in the Falklands oil licensing round, due to close next month. Desire is raising £5.5 million. of which Westmount's share is £1.375 million. over four years on the basis that the

million. The new funds will be used to finance the exploration and appraisal of 14 new gas wells in Pakistan and eight new wells in Syria, Senegal, Britain and the Czech Republic over the next two years.

rights issue to raise IrE29.5

TULLOW OIL, the Irish oil and gas exploration company, has announced a one-for-five lish new exploration and production ventures in India. The issue, which is fully underwritten by Riada Corpo-

excited about the prospects for

oil in the Falklands. "It's a risky

investment, but the rewards could be enormous," he said. The Falkland Islands Gov-

ernment launched its licens-

ing round in October,

attracting interest from lead-

rate Finance, will be based on one new share for every five held at Lr77.75p.

Model performance: from left, BTP's John Ketteley, Steve Hannam and Rob Martin in March, shortly before the BTP ready to spend £100m SHARES in BTP, the speciality chemicals group, raced ahead yesterday after it report-In our new wider ed a healthy profit rise and said it had up to £100 million to spend on acquisitions (Sarah Cunningham writes). Profits before tax and exceptionals for the year to March 31 rose 19 per cent to SAAE willion. seats you'd never know there was



Tullow rights issue to fund exploration

In April, Tullow reported a

FROM EILEEN MCCABE IN DUBLIN company also hopes to estab-

47 per cent rise in 1995 turnover to IrE3 million and annual profits of IrEI 19 million, giving

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Coleman in both businesses. Ann Gordon joins House of ecutive, Andrew Jennings, will be leaving "to pursue his pri-



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Brokers seek answers as BTR shares hit a low

BROKERS looking for answers to the problems besetting BTR, the industrial conglomerate, came away empty handed from a showdown with the company.

As if to underline the problem, the shares ended Ip cheaper at 255p, matching its low for the year, as BTR began a series of meetings with City firms. The price has been in steady deterioration during the past six months falling from a peak of 337p.

Brokers will want to know why the group's disposal programme is taking so long. They will also be no doubt keen to ask Ian Strachan, chief executive, what plans are afoot to halt the slowdown in earnings growth. Reports at the weekend suggested he may be forced to cut the dividend. although the company's own broker BZW is continuing to forecast an increase in the payout from 14.69p to 15.5p.

BTR's dividend bill is usually around £600 million with a further E300 million earmarked for the warrants. Dealers say this provides an unwanted drain on the company's already hard-pressed cash resources.

The rest of the equity market began trading in narrow limits, shrugging off an opening gain of more than 30 points in the Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street, After an early mark-up. prices in London soon began drifting lower on lack of institutional interest. The FT-SE 100 index closed at its low for the day, down 11-5 at 3,710.8 on total turnover of less than 600 million shares. Brokers fear that a sell-off may be on the way with the index soon testing the 3650 level.

BSkyB firmed lp to 423p and Granada 3p to 879p as shares in both companies began trading on the London International Financial Futures Exchange. But the newcomers to the list of top 100 companies all rang into profittaking. United News & Me-dia fell 3p to 719p. Orange 6p

to 237 pp, and Next 7p to 585p. British Borneo was a firm market, climbing 20p to 571p on the back of a recommendation from James Capel, the broker. Lloyds Abbey rose 5p to 522p as Credit Lyonnais Laing gave the shares a helping hand.

Asda firmed in to 1182 ahead of full-year figures on Thursday that are expected to see profits top £300 million.

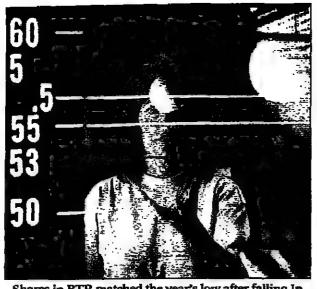
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Shares in BTR matched the year's low after falling lo

But high-flyer British Biotechnology tumbled 108p to £24 also ahead of figures later this week expected to reveal further losses

Celsis International has been giving a rundown of prospects to institutional shareholders. The shares responded by rising 6p to 122p. The brewers were marked lower as the recent euphoria The business was completed at the £10,45 level.

premium to the ruling price.

Trading in Sun Life & Provincial, the offshoot of the Compagnie UAP, the French group, got off to a slow start on the grey market after being up to three times oversubscribed. Priced at 235p, the shares touched 243p in hectic trading before settling at 232p, a

Robert Quarta, chief executive at BBA, is still confident about the future despite failing to win control of Lucas. The group has flown a party of brokers to Sweden to look at the Scandinavian operations of Holvis, the group it bought last year for £250 million. The news should be positive. The shares firmed 2p to 315p.

over the boost to sales from Euro 96 quickly evaporated. Kleinwort Benson and Lehman Brothers have both expressed renewed fears about pressure on margins. Whitbread slipped 2p to 716p, Scottish & Newcastle 5p to 665p and Bass 3p to 816p.

Amersham International jumped 21p to £10.18 as brokers reported a cross in l million shares at a substantial

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discount of 3p. By the close of business, more than 36 million had changed hands.

Mirror Group was hit by a broker's profit downgrading with the price ending 4p lower at 209p. Lorna Tilbian at Panmure Gordon, the broker. has moved her recommendation from a "buy" to a "hold". She has cut her number for the current year to £90 million and lopped £7.5 million from

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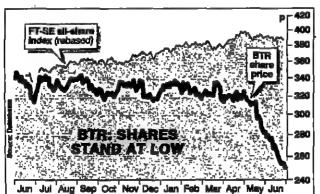
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million. She blames a drop in circulation at the Sunday Mirror and the affect of competition from The Sun. Mayflower Corporation,

the specialist engineering group that makes the body panels for MGF sports car, firmed 22p to 1072 after learning that its offer for the Pullman Company in the US had been gazumped by Tenneco. Mayflower's offer had valued Pullman at £172 million and was to be voted on by shareholders yesterday, but the offer from the Texan group came in at £200 million.

Tullow Oil, the oil exploration group, stood out with a rise of 4p to 90p after announcing plans to raise £30.3 million by way of a one-for-five rights issue at 80p a share,

John Lusty, the food broker firmed 'ap to 6p after making a welcome return to the dividend list for the first time since 1989 with a payout of 0.1p. It followed a 10 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £552,000.

On the Alternative Investment Market, shares in Sinclair Montrose Healthcare got off to a flying start. Placed at 140p, they opened at 164p before going on to close at the best of the day with a premium of 27p at 167p.
BTP, the chemicals special-

ist, rose 16p to 294p after coming in with full-year profits at the top end of expecta-Philip Morrish at Nikko, the Japanese securities house, is forecasting £52 million for the current year. ☐ GILT-EDGED: Dealers

reported a further steepening of the yield curve as the shorter end of the market outperformed long-dated issues. After Friday's flurry of activity, the pace of business slowed to a canter and this was reflected in turnover levels geneally. The two tranches of index-linked stock totalling £400 million issued last week remained on offer.

In the futures pit, the September series of the long gilt finished three ticks better at £105% in thin trading. Among conventional issues. Treasury 8 per cent 2015 closed unchanged at £97316. Treaper cent 2000 was a couple ticks better at £1021116.

NEW YORK: Shares on Wall Street were higher at midday, following through on Friday's gains after the "triplewitching expiries. The Dow Jones industrial average was 28.82 points higher at 5,734.05.

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Hong Kong: Hang Seng 10959,72 (+104.43)
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Br Aerospace 990p (+14p)
Micro Focus 865p (+20p)
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EIGHTEEN months have elapsed since BTP's last rights issue which raised £52 million, and the company is still sitting on a pile of cash. It said yesterday that it is in a good position to make acquisitions - but that was equally true a year ago.

BTP cannot seem to find

However, they should be grateful that the company

TEMPUS

Warrants attention

BTR has good reason to feel nervous. its shares have lost a quarter of their value over the past year, most of that in the past month over worries about the dividend. Yesterday. analysts sought to obtain a steer from the company at a routine meeting, but no enlightenment was proffered.

The worries concern BTR's cashflow and the potential loss of some £290 million in income from the exercise of warrants; the share price fall has made them unattractive. BTR has maintained a high level of investment, some 1.5 times depreciation. Without the warrant income, it is argued that the company will be under pressure to pay its dividends. All this rings familiar bells to those investors who have followed the fortunes - or lack thereof - of Hanson, which has ended up in a conglomerate's abattoir.

overpaying.

There are, however, differences. Both BTR and Hanson suffer a high level of dividend and capital expenditure but Hanson had the added burden of heavy provisions for its acquisitions which kept the cash draining from the group long after Hanson had paid the initial price for the assets.

BTR's problems could be in large part be alleviated by a big disposal and the market is hoping for the sale of the problematic Taiwan polymers company and some of the building products businesses. But, longer term, BTR needs to convince the City that it can generate good earnings growth. High levels of internal investment can produce better returns and a higher rate of depreciation which in turn leads to better cash flow. Unfortunately, BTR has yet to tell the second part of the story. Juggling assets is no longer enough.

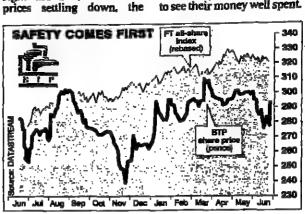
BTP

the right company to buy and at the right price. It now says that there are a series of possibilities in biocides and fine chemicals and in performance chemicals and it says the most likely seilers are large US and continental European firms offloading small divisions.

Shareholders may feel aggrieved that they were asked in February last year to pay for deals they had not seen. the third issue in three years.

company should manage has resisted the temptation good growth in 1996. to speed the process by The company recently sold BTP's caution helped to

its industrial polymers division and is now a highly deliver an impressive set of focused speciality chemicals profits yesterday. The comcompany. So, at this point, it pany proved it had coped has the cash and it has well with raw material price targets. Provided sellers are rises in the first three quar-ters of last year and all the not too greedy, shareholders have every reason to expect signs are that, with those to see their money well spent.



Sun Life

SUN LIFE and Provincial is being launched into a life insurance sector in turmoil. Major players are scouting for acquisitions while the weak are touted as bid candidates. In such an environment, Sun Life, 60 per cent controlled by its parent, UAP. had an unsensational debut. A respectable performer in

the pensions market, saddled with a small UK general insurance business and an Irish life business. Sun Life is no corporate play. It also had nothing to say about orphan assets, that nebulous pot of gold that has chased up the value of life companies. Yesterday's launch was

dull for technical reasons: Sun Life itself has depressed the sector as institutions solo other life shares ahead of the public offer. The whole sector should benefit as the depressing effect of the cash raising is lifted. Sun Life should also benefit from its inclusion in the FT-SE 100 index and

should attract disproportionate attention from indexed funds with only 40 per cent of the company available.

But there are more fundamental reasons why Sun Life could prove attractive to income investors. The structure of the company gives share-holders a more highly geared investment with the parent company bearing the group debt with dividends paid up through operating companies. Assuming a static interest charge, any increase in dividend from the life company should lead to a. higher rate of growth in the payout to shareholders.

Sun Life shares are yielding a handsome 5.4 per cent despite the prospect of a 10 per cent rise in payout. A better than average rate of growth suggests the over the next few months.

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IRELAND'S biggest oil exploration company is a play on Pakistan where the company has amassed a huge portfolio of licences, disproportionate to the size of the group, capitalised at some E170 million, including yes-

terday's rights issue. Tullow has some E5 million of revenue from British Wells and an interest in Senegal which helps to pay the bills for exploration in the Indian subcontinent. Last year, Tullow drilled six wells of which four showed a commercial flow of gas. The company needs the cash to pay for a further 15 wells including appraisal wells to deter-mine the size of the reserves.

Unfortunately, Tullow is very tight-lipped about the potential of Pakistan. Cash flow from a contract with a power project is unlikely until next year but the shareprice rising after yesterday's cash call will be more interested in capital gain than income. If this year's wells show potential, expect a bid.

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Fine fare for semi-final

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CLIFFORD CHANCE has put its contingency plan into practice for its annual summer party on Wednesday, as well as making some last-minute changes. Now that England are through to the semi-finals of Euro 96, the firm has arranged for a giant screen to be installed in the grounds of the Honourable Artillery Company. There will also be a funfair, numerous bars, and foodstalls offering delicacies from various countries. Sauerkraut and German bratwurst will, however, not be on offer. Meanwhile, Jeremy Hanley, Foreign Office Minister of State, has at the last minute cancelled his party to be held on Wednesday.

Home fixture

JOHN STEWART, who takes over from Peter Robinson as chief executive of the Woolwich Building Society, has his diary carefully planned around Euro 96 too. The self-confessed worksholic, who broke from his homework to watch last Saturday's game, intends to be back home in Bromley for the semi-finals tomorrow. Meanwhile, Mr Stewart will have been up at the crack of dawn this morning for a day trip to Milan.
"I daren't mention the football when I'm there," he whispered. "I think the Italians are in mourning.

Licensed baa

JOHN YOUNG, chairman of Young's Brewery, had a spring in his step vesterday, tearing through the City after RamRod, the runaway ram. Midway into a photo call at Leadenhall Market, to promote the brewery's new image, RamRod caught sight of a knifewielding butcher. He into the street, spilling Mr Young's pint and knocking his bowler hat flying. His run through the City eventually came to a half, sandwiched between Mr Young and a policewornan outside the Lloyd's building. According to Mr Young: "She was very pretty, and insisted on having her photo taken



"A little Southern Water with it?

Many a gem ...

THE man with the uneuviable task of being Scunthorpe's first tourism manager is Andrew Wheeler. "It's true that businessclass hotels are in short supply here and there is a lack of conference facilities," he admitted yesterday, "but we are situated between two important tourist centres in Lincoln and York, and large numbers of visitors are within easy reach," According to Mr Wheeler. "The area has a lot to offer. We are just waiting to be discovered."

ON ONE of Sun Life and Provincial's busiest days yesterday, its phone lines were struck down with a virus. From time to time a "gremlin" in the works makes it impossible for calls to get further than the switchboard. Messages were flying around the office, but, rather than take a seat alongside the ladies on the switchboard, Michael Hart, chief executive, preferred to use his

Power regulator's hand is steady at the controls

Some confusion aside, competition still tops the

agenda he tells

Christine Buckley

blocked the takeovers by the two main generators of regional companies such a wave of surprise swept through the industry that some almost looked to the heavens for an explanation. The decision seemed to fly in the face of the frenzy of takeovers that had gripped the sector since the expiry of the Government's golden share in the regional companies.

The aggrieved generators, blocked on the grounds of commanding too much market influence, found themselves without a clear idea of how they could develop further.

Stephen Littlechild, the regulator, had argued against the takeovers when they were first proposed, but he was ignored by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which found no such cause for concern. He welcomed the backing of the Department of Trade and Industry and was then quickly challenged by PowerGen. The country's second largest generator demanded clear guidelines of industry parameters before disposing of power stations it was obliged to part with.

The challenge, which seems to have yielded nothing, was curious because it tackled the regulator over what the company had declared was a political decision. Guidelines for development of the electricity industry, if it is possible to draft any, are a matter for the Government, Professor Littlechild

"A lot of people were taken by surprise," he says. "Mr Lang had said that he would take certain conditions into account. I don't think it was realised quite how seriously he would take those.

"I am conscious that whatever guidance I give can be of limited value as long as the Secretary of State makes the decisions. My position has always been clear that if there is a threat to competition I shall be extremely wary of any proposal. There is a significant difference in size between National Power and PowerGen's mergers and the others that have gone ahead such as ScottishPower, or the fact that

Eastern is acquiring this plant.
"I don't know whether there is confusion. If there is then it is for the Government to explain. Mr Lang has basically said that competition will be paramount and that is what explains

Competition in generation was at the heart of the vetos, although it is difficult to ascertain when sufficient generation will be obtained to allow more lateral consolidation of the industry. Mr Lang was elliptical in his explanations after

the veto. Professor Littlechild is similarly reluctant to be pinned down to a specification. "It would be very rash to say this is what we mean by a compensive industry and when we get there, there will be no more interven-



Stephen Littlechild feels he has done his bit and it is up to the companies

tion. We don't have a way of saying if market shares are below this then everything will be OK. I can't at the moment see one single statistic that would signal the correct state of the market. While there may be calls for rules, until you see an actual case it is difficult to determine what those rules should be."

Two years ago Professor Littlechild ordered National Power and Power-Gen to sell some of their power stations to stimulate competition. He is unlikely to make them sell more, although he has not ruled out the possibility in the future. "One always has to keep the state of the market in mind and if new stations are not built or don't come on stream, or if those working don't seem to reduce the market power of these two companies, then I may need to take

further measures." He will not, however, jump to more radical action in response to critics of the growth of competition in generation, although there are many regional companies, large users of energy, and a handful of Tory backbenchers. "You can't just impose a fully competitive market overnight." ScottishPower, the integrated gener-

ator and distributor in Scotland which has acquired Manweb and is on course to buy Southern Water, need not worry about regulatory obstacles it seems. Although the company has a dominant position in its home market. Professor Littlechild believes its impact on the English market is so slight as not to merit consideration.

ScottishPower faces a similarly smooth path in its quest to become a large-scale multi-utility. The regulators have satisfied themselves on the two previous water-electricity mergers -North West Water and Norweb and Welsh Water and Swalec - that dual regulation is perfectly feasible.

There are some arguments that extended regional companies can be an advantage. The water regulator and I have got various provisions for ringfencing. We will co-operate at the time of price controls so each knows what the other is doing.'

Scottish Power's quest to expand on a multi-utility basis has been sculpted in anticipation of 1998, when household electricity and gas will be fully open to competition. The task of opening the market in electricity, when 25 million households will be able to shop around

From Mr Robert Findlay

Sir. Sarah Bagnall's news of

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for their power, is the biggest item on Professor Littlechild's agenda at

But there are fears that the timetable is slipping. Professor Littlechild believes the ball is in the court of the regional companies. "I've done my bit now. Basically it is up to the companies

to respond to the plans."
There have been complaints from the regional companies, which will for the first time be vulnerable to domestic competition, that they are being asked to function cohesively as an industry to implement the means by which they become opponents. There is criticism that there is no prototype for profiling. the accurate monitoring of a custom-er's use. Such mechanisms have to be installed by the regional electricity companies.

Regional companies fear a repetition of 1994 when users of more than 100kw of electricity gained access to a range of suppliers. The opening of the compentive market for these customers was universally condemned as ill-prepared. Meters were installed late or functioned inadequately, which meant customers suffered billing irregularities on a large scale and suppliers found payments dried up. The industry took about a year before it cleared the

administrative mire.
But Professor Littlechild says that licence conditions will force the hand of those who may be reticent over 1998. "Competition on the whole is not an attractive proposition for them. At present they have regional monopolies. I certainly don't think they want a repeat of 1994. It wasn't good for their image and cost a lot of money to put right."

ho will shape electricity in the competitive domestic market still remains very much in the air. "A lot of players are still working out their tactics. The supermarkets and insurance companies are interested because it is a big market, but whether or not they come in on day one is a different

Margins will be slight in 1998 and customers will not see the bumper discounts being offered by rivals to British Gas in the South West, where 500,000 homes can buy gas competitively. The evidence from the competitive market for industrial users of electricity has shown prices have come down and more than two-thirds of those customers have switched supplier. Professor Littlechild believes that companies will be forced to offer more imaginative tariff ranges and to trade

on slim margins. The onslaught of full competition in domestic energy is seen by many as an opportunity to scale down regulation of the industry. Both the gas and telecoms regulator have said that recent price controls are likely to be their last. Professor Littlechild believes there could be scope to wind down price controls after 1998, but will not be drawn on details. Clare Spottiswoode, the gas regulator, has on several occasions sounded her belief that the gas and electricity regulators' offices would make a sensible merger.

Professor Littlechild believes there is more life in separate utility regulation yet. Conceivably, he thinks some regulatory functions could be conducted by the Office of Fair Trading, but that specialist knowledge will still play an important role.

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A Celtic tiger for Europe

The Irish Republic's take Britain in per capita view of Europe seems close to Britain's. Most British people, opinion polls indicate, want to stay in Europe but out of the single currency, ireland, which on Monday takes over the presidency of the European Union for six months, is passionately committed to Europe and the single currency. The Irish are Euro-enthusiasts par excellence. And Ireland is one of only three nations the European Commission says will meet Maastricht's

convergence criteria. The difference in attitude is for fairly obvious reasons. Most baldly, Britain is a net contributor to the EU budget - to the tune of an estimated 1.5 per cent of GDP a year. In contrast, in the early 1990s Ireland was getting more than 6 per cent of its GDP from Europe in the form of subsidies under the Common Agricultural Policy for its farmers and various social transfers.

Britain still has a place in the world far beyond the confines of Europe, courtesy of its colonial past. Deeper integration in Europe risks not only the loss of partiamentary sovereignty but also of older networks. For Ireland, giving up sover-eignty to the Bundesbank is. for many, preferable to ced-

ing it to Britain. And Europe has been good for Ireland. The Republic's enthusiastic membership has coincided with an unparalleled period of economic outperformance and a relative weakening of inter-dependence of the British economy. In the early 1970s, Britain bought more than 60 per cent of Irish exports. Now that figure is around 26 per cent. Overall, 70 per cent of Irish exports go to the EU. Ireland has been growing dramatically - by around 8 per cent last year and an expected 6 per

cent this year and yet inflation has remained low, the latest figure being 1.4 per cent. The current account is in surplus and unemployment, aithough still very high, has come down sharply. No wonder some have dubbed Ireland the Celtic Tiger and Ruairi Ouinn. Ireland's Finance Minister, has dared to note that, if current trends were to continue, Ireland would over-

income by the year 2000.

The transformation in economic statistics, is nothing short of remarkable. But ireland's apparently trouble-free switch from its dis-mal orbit as a British satellite to a sunny place at the heart of Europe simplifies the challenges to be faced. For one, Ireland's view of Europe is likely to develop and modify as the community itself takes shape. The Republic's receipts from Brussels are aiready on a downward path - around 4.5 per cent of GDP now compared with the peak. Ireland is already beginning to think about how to adapt without its intravenous drip of EU money. Further ahead, Ireland may have to contem-plate life without such a generous CAP if the pro-

spective entry of eastern Europe members leads inevitably to its reform. Life as a giver rather than a receiver may look very different. But Ireland's relationship with Britain is complex and changing too. Ireland is not entire ly free of the old unwanted relationship not least because its currency tends — often unfairly — to suffer when sterling does. When the pound was drummed out of the exchange-rate racchanism, the punt was eventually forced to devalue. But on the positive side, Ireland was forced into ac-

headache for Ireland is trying to contemplate life inside a single currency if Britain remains outside, the threat of competitive devaluations is very real. In future, Ireland and Britain may find themselves agreeing in Europe. For one. Ireland is opposed to cumbersome European employment legislation. More fundamentally, the two countries want to do business as well as make peace deals. As Brendan Walsh, head of economics at University College Dublin, notes:

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Yours faithfully.

ERIC NICKSON

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Otherwise the banks will acquire a very valuable asset at a knockdown price. Yours faithfully JOHN E. MOORE. 51 South Street.

From A.J. Lucking Sir. The answer to Tempus's question (June 13) is the nation and in particular British businessmen. One estimate of the annual cost they will incur if there is no Terminal 5 in 2010 is nearly £1 billion. This is made up largely of higher fares due to the scarcity value of Heathrow seats, and the value of time wasted because

Making travel even more unpleasant will cause some export salespersons to evade journeys they ought to make. Aiready, 57 per cent of UK business travellers buy economy tickets, and most have to endure spartan conditions. The way to end this head-on

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of the nation, is to abandon the ICAO "single till" system of regulation, and allow a proper commercial return from the operational asset. Surely some ingenious person can devise a way of controlling the conces-

solution of a separate "capital levy" of £2-7 per passenger. But if all else fails, speedy unsion of the nation's dom mant business airport is so important that we should regard any excess profits as a windfall, similar to the purchase of a Kimberley farm for £500 by the brothers De Beers in 1860.

Yours faithfully. 20-17 Broad Court,

but I beg to differ with your correspondent (Letters, June 6) who challenges the mathematical precision of information contained in Lloyd's 1995 anmual report.

18 members. The chart on page five shows six working members of the Council; six external members; and six nominated members. Confirmation — together with the identity of the 18 individuals — can be obtained by reference to page 56 of the report.

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Time for names to seek better R&R

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Unless I am very much mistaken, there are 18: there are no phantoms! Yours faithfully, PETER HILL, Head corporate

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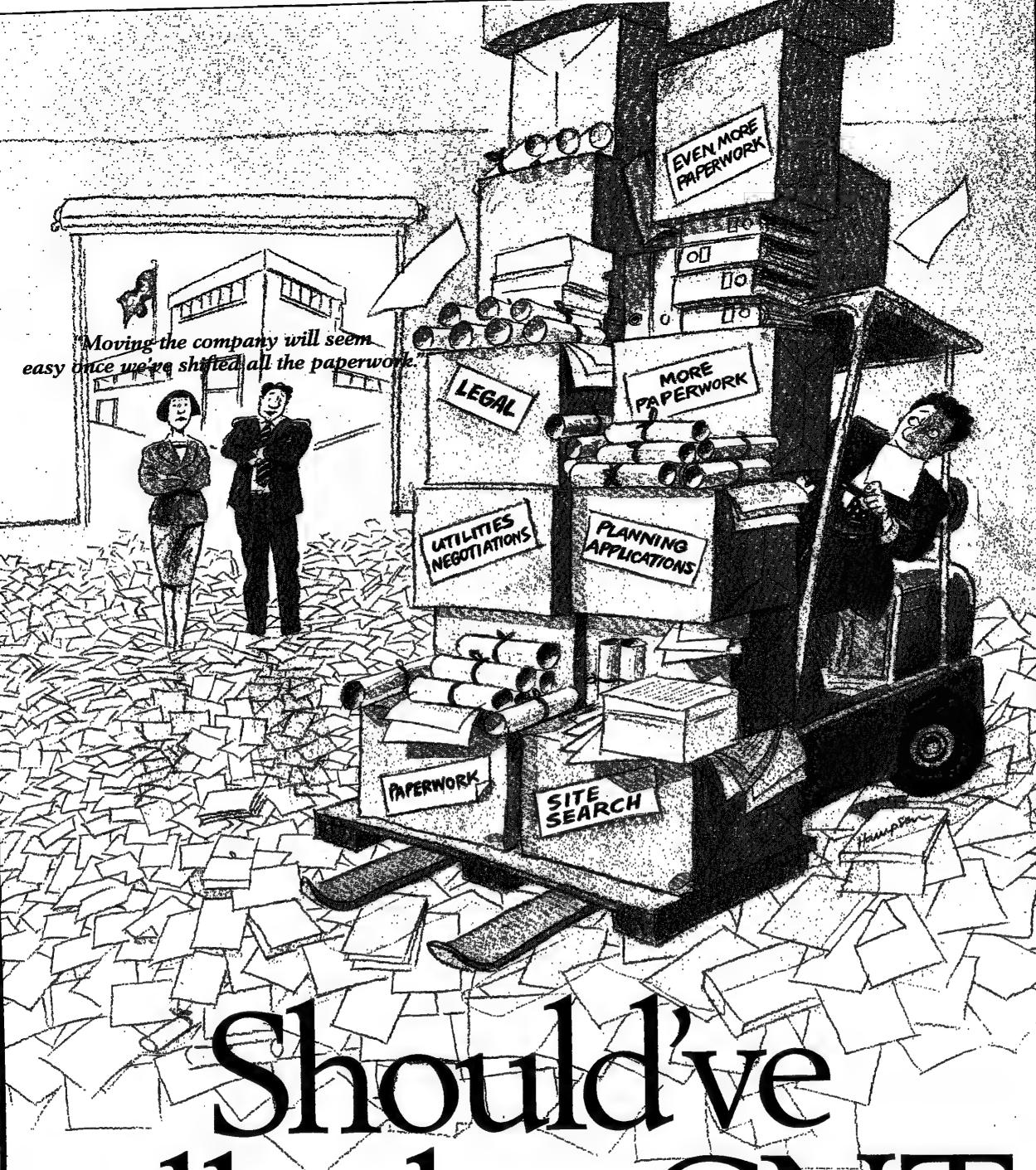
sion profits separately. Or perhaps we could copy the Los Angeles-Vancouver

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Bizarre aspect of Hepher's BT payoff

From D. A. Reynolds Sir, The most bizarre aspect of the BT/Michael Hepher fiasco is that the poor chap obviously has no clue what to do with his unwarranted cash mountain. as BT are paying on top of that for him to have financial munselling! Can we assume

services"? I offer this advice exercise your share option at 400p, so you can promptly sell them at 367.5p! As a BT shareholder. I am quite prepared to "do nothing" for a lot less than £700,000. Yours sincerely. D. A. REYNOLDS.



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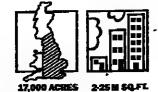
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Vive la différence! An odd, Gallic choice of British sculpture goes on show at Paris's Jeu de Paume



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Richard Cork on an eccentric Paris survey of British sculpture; plus Henry Moore in Nantes and London shows

A brilliant century taken out of context

here was a time when the presence of British sculpture in the Tuileries Gardens would have been unthinkable. These hallowed spaces in central Paris were reserved for French products alone, with Maillol's impeccably dignified bronze statues of ample women given the greatest

prominence of all. Now, for the entire summer, all that Gallic chauvinism has disappeared. The central avenue of the Tuileries has been invaded by the grey, impos-ingly funnelled forms of An-

thony Caro's multi-part Promenade, a specialsculpture which seems capable of advancing in martial triumph towards the Louvre itself. Near by, spectacular large-scale works by other

British sculptors are allowed to animate their surroundings. Tony Cragg. Richard Deacon and Phillip King all make an impact. Eduardo Paolozzi's Hamlet in a Japanese Manner, its psychedelic colours freshly restored, looks as exuberant as Barry Flanagan's outsize hare.

leaping with delight. The mood is celebratory here, marking the advent of a major exhibition in the adjacent Jeu de Paume gallery. For the first time, Paris is exploring the prodigious flowering of British sculpture over the past century. A lavish book-length catalogue, filled with scholarly essays and excellent reproductions, shows just how momentous the event is intended to be. Inside the Jeu de Paume, though, the partiality of the

selection soon becomes clear. Daniel Abadle, the gallery's the show presented itself first and foremost as a personal choice. But Abadie's ringing title, A Century of British Sculpture, suggests a far more comprehensive affair. We go in expecting a well-rounded account, and find instead a story riddled with startling. unaccountable omissions.

Part of the problem may lie with the choice of venue. To do full justice to his ambitious subject, Abadie should have been given a building as capacious as the Grand Palais. The Jeu de Paume is too small. and it may have forced him into making sav-

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age exclusions. imposed by the once. Jacob Epstein's brooding Torso in Metal from The Rock Drill is marooned near the entrance, cut off from the main

display area by the bookshop and admissions desk. The Torso's isolation says a lot about Abadie's selection, for he has robbed Epstein's early masterpiece of any nourishing context. Unbelievable though it may seem, no other sculpture produced in Britain during the first 34 years of this century has been included. Nobody would ever guess

from a visit to this exhibition that carved images of the human body underwent a potent revolution at that time. The young Epstein and Eric Gill, working in harmony for a while, transformed British sculpture as early as 1910. Soon they were joined by Henri Gaudier-Brzeska, a precociously inventive Frenchman who made London his home. Abadie may argue that Daniel Abadle, the gallery's Gaudier belongs to France. Inexplicably, Abadie even Nicholson are rewardingly ex-director, has chosen the artists but he made all his linest omits the first 15 years of plotted. By this time, Moore with an utterly ruthless eye. sculpture in London and be Moore's output. None of the had been stimulated to a Gaudier belongs to France,





Damien Hirst's Mother and Child Divided is one of the few works with a room of its own in an often jumbled overview of British sculpture

with the English avant-garde. The truth is that the history of British sculpture in the 20th century cannot be understood without Gaudier. He played a short-lived yet vital role in Vorticism, the most daring and explosive English movement of the period. And the work he made, along with the statements he published in the Vorticist magazine Blast, inspired the young Henry Moore during the 1920s.

Nothing wrong with that, if came passionately involved formidable carvings he made decisive extent by Picasso, But I missed the tougher side and the rest, Abadie implies he once again lacks the context

in the 1920s, culminating in the great Reclining Figure from Leeds, is here. Nor are the impressive carvings produced throughout the same decade by Frank Dobson, then at the height of his powers. Instead, the exhibition leaps

from the Rock Drill torso to the abstraction of the mid-1930s. In a small yet intense room, the interconnections between Moore, Barbara Hepworth and her husband Ben

while Hepworth and Nicholson benefited from contact with Arp, Brancusi and Mondrian. Perhaps this involvement with Paris-based modernism encourages Abadie to see their work in a favourable light. In all events, their mutu-

al obsession with purity of form emerges very lucidly. Moore looks at home in this company, especially with his small 1934 carving where the pebble-like rotundity of a simplified head is juxtaposed, at the other end of the same stone

of Moore, who can often be a far more disturbing sculptor than his avuncular reputation might suggest.

One of the most dramatic moments in modern British sculpture occurred after the Second World War, when Moore's obsession with monumental bulk and woman-eslandscape was challenged by a new generation. Their work is invisible at the Jeu de Paume. By completely ignoring Ken-neth Armitage, Reg Butler, Lynn Chadwick, Bernard ledge, with an unadorned ball. Meadows, William Turnbull

that the 1950s were a barren period. But the fact is that their vision of humanity and the animal world was genuinely innovative. It could have provided a powerful section of the show, and should ideally include early bronze work by Caro and Paolozzi as well. Caro only makes an entrance as a fully fledged abstractionist in the early 1960s, welding and painting metal with magisterial yet agile assurance. His presence is outstanding.

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1950s would have provided. Although Phillip King's exhilarating early abstractions leading sculptors of the 1960s are nowhere to be seen. Nor are most of the young artists who, in the following decade, renegotiated British sculpture's relationship with landscape. Richard Long is seen in heroic isolation, unless Mich-

ael Craig-Martin's classic con-

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perversely regarded as a meditation on the English countryside. At this point, the installation of the show becomes very erratic. One well-organised room contains only Anish Kapoor's early, intensely luminous powder-pigment sculp-ture and Antony Gormley's crouching figure perched high on the opposite wall. The next room, however, seems clut-tered. Bill Woodrow's sprawling Elephant deserves more space, but is here displayed

uncomfortably near a group of

Deacon's 1980s works. At least Abadie redeems himself in the most recent part of the exhibition, where Damien Hirst's Mother and Child Divided is given a room of its own. So is Rachel Whiteread's Ghost, her haunting cast of a room which looked like a landmark British sculpture the moment it was first displayed. The pleasure gained from seeing it here, however, is marred by realising how many artists should also have been includ-

ed at this point. If Abadie had called the shows Aspects of 20th-Century British Sculpture, his exclusions would be less baffling. But the title he chose is illserved by a selection that ends up looking cruelly eccentric. and leaving out far too much. ● A Century of British Sculpture at the Jeu de Paume. 1, Place de la work called The Window. But Concorde, Paris (0033147031336)

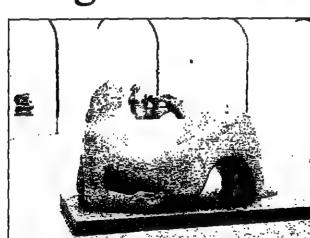
First thoughts reveal Moore

t sometimes seems as if Henry Moore's is the only L empire on which the sun never sets. Doubtless the number of retrospectives will increase as the 1998 centenary approaches. But it is unlikely that any will be so sensuously beautiful or revealing as Henry Moore: l'expression première, in Nantes at the Musée des Beaux Arts.

Its extraordinary effect is attributable to two things: the wonderful apmess of the surroundings in Nantes, and the fact that the show has a clear concept. The Musée des Beaux Arts is a grandiose Neo-Baroque building with a suite of high, light and splendid galleries encircling a central court. But it has been totally refurbished and the central court glassed in to make a great, gleaming white cube of an exhibition space.

This is where these Moores are sited, and the location is ideal. They can be seen from the same level or from above, where a sort of gallery offers endless vantage points.

The strength of this selection turns on the dramatic decision to exclude all bronzes. Instead the show concentrates on the carvings, mostly early, and the original plasters from which the later bronzes were cast. Many plasters have never been seen in public before, brilliantly highlighted by the years of Moore's greatness



Nantes displays a great sculptor in an unusual light

though Moore himself evidently felt they were important and preserved them.

It might be supposed that they were only stages on the way to the finished bronze. and could not offer anything more or different. But this is not true. For one thing, despite their varieties of patina, the bronzes are much more uniform than the plasters, which have often been carefully finished off and in some cases faintly coloured or polished to give them distinctive surface textures quite different from the corresponding bronzes. This element of colour is

all-white surroundings which make one aware of the most delicate gradations. One also gets a unique feeling of being close to watching the hand of the master as the three-dimensional image emerges from the primal matter.

Some feel that Moore was a carver first and foremost. more truly than he was ever a modeller. It is easy to forget that the first volume of what was to become the catalogue raisonné, first published in 1944, contained no bronzes at all, because up to then he had made none, just a handful of sculptures in lead. The first

were a time almost exclusively of carving. The bronzes, and the sort of factory operation they entailed, came later and significantly changed the course of Moore's art, possibly not for the better.

But despite the army of assistants Moore later had working for him, up until the early Seventies he continued to work himself on the larger carvings and on the plasters. The latter also have the advantage of indicating clearly at what size the bronzes were originally conceived, before the more or less mechanical process of editioning in a variety of sizes supervened. After all, it was Moore himself who wrote in 1937: "There is a right physical size for every idea." In this area, first

Everybody knows that Moore was a great sculptor, perhaps the century's greatest, but it is not always easy to see this clearly through the immense production and the inescapable availability. This is the show which pares things down to basics; the effect is a

thoughts are clearly best.

JOHN RUSSELL TAYLOR

Henry Moore: l'expression pre-mière is at the Musée des Beaux Arts, Nantes (2033 51 25 06 46) until Sept 2, then in Mannheim

Mary Osborn's famous picture, Nameless and symbolic Herbert James Draper, a between Millais's fully Pre-Raphaelite

☐ The work of Peter Prendergast has not

and Friendless, a good romantic Arthur Hughes, The Pained Heart; a sensuous study for Clyties of the Mist; and a typical Alma-Tadema evocation of ancient sunshine, Dolce Far Niente. Most surprising is a study by Watts for his Ophelia, while most desirable would have to be split drawing, Lost Love, and a watercolour by Ruskin called A July Thunder Cloud, Val d'Aosta, painted in 1858. Maas Gallery, 15a Clifford Street, WI (0171-734 2302), until July 12

been seen in London for three years, ever since the touring show which began at the National Museum of Wales had a brief airing at Agnews. Now his 50th birthday is marked with a show of recent paintings and drawings. Prendergast's Wales is tempest-tossed, his brushwork agitated in a way which suggests now Auerbach's jaundiced view of Primrose Hill, now Eardley's vision of the windswept Scottish coast. But it suggests neither very closely: Prendergast has always been a painter who follows his own line. Boundary Gallery, 98 Boundary Road, NW8 (017)-624 1126), until July 20

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AN EXCLUSIVE TIMES COMPETITION

WHAT is most astonishing about early Chinese art is the way that it so often seems to stand outside time and place, John Russell Taylor writes. In the new exhibition, Sculpture and Ornament in Early Chinese Art at Eskenazi, the point is made with force by some of the very earliest pieces. Sometimes, as with the daigou (garment hook) of gilt and silvered bronze with turquoise, one seems to be looking at a very stylish invention of Art Deco. only to find that it dates from the 4th to 3rd century BC. Or there is the pair of bronze, copper and turquoise food vessels, dating from the 5th to 4th century BC. At this archaic period the country was divided into areas which apparently had a strong sense of cultural competitiveness, and the arts seem to have taken a quantum leap into the future before settling down into patterns we would immediately recognise.
Eskenazi, 10 Clifford Street, WI (0171-493

5464) until July 13 ☐ Chris Beetles revives interest in a married couple who worked in close collaboration. John and Isobel Morton-Sale. They frequently took a joint credit for the books they illustrated, and though possibly they never both worked on the

same drawing, their styles were so

AROUND THE LONDON GALLERIES

similar that one never has the impression of divided authorship. What they are remembered for are their gentle childhood portraits, which coast along the edge of sentimentality. The catalogue makes play of their relationship to the Neo-Romantic painters of the 1940s, but in fact they belong to the prewar world of E.H. Shepard's A.A. Milne illustrations, with an occasional glance towards Rackham for the more fantastic moments. Chris Beetles, 8 & 10 Ryder Street, SWI (0171-839 7551) until July 19

☐ It is often wise to beware of dealers bearing gifts of miscellaneous summer shows. However, one can feel safe going to any show labelled Victorian Pictures at the Maas Gallery. This year's collection is peculiarly rich — and at times richly peculiar. Albert Goodwin's large Under the Roof of the World, for instance, originally shown in 1897 as an "imaginative landscape", is an astonishing mix of John Martin and late Turner. Other works on show correspond more closely to conventional ideas of Victorian art. There is a firte, small oil study for Emily



CHOICE !

Russ Abbot takes over the role of Fagin in the West End Oliver!

VENUE: Continuous run at the London Palladium



CHOICE 2

The Gershwin compilation, Crazy For You, goes on national tour

VENUE: This week at the Birmingham Hippodrome

Onegan; Romeo and Juliet Overture and excerpts from Steeping Bessuly. Bramwell Tovey conducts Royal Concert Half, Buchanan Street (0141-227 S511), Toraghi, 7.30pm.

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speed and excitament combine with high drams, haunting music and astonishing special effects in the Russian los Stars' performance of The

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A top-notch house party: Garsington turns on the charm in Rossini and Britten



RECITAL

José van Dam deserts Verdi at Covent Garden to tackle Romantic song at the Wigmore Hall

LONDON

WAR AND PEACE Shared ge, Helen Edmundson's adaptation of the Tolstoy epic, co-directed by Namcy Mediter and Polity Teals Expect Imaginative existement.
Nintional (Cottesios), South Bank, SE1 (0171-828 2252) Tonight and lonsorrow 6.30pm. In rep (§)

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CITY OF LOHDON PERTIVAL Operang might of three weeks of eventsheld in a nutriber of magnificent and unusual ventues or the "Square Mile", Regar Hornington and the London Classical Players lock off this year's proceedings in the Guidhall Great Hall with Smelane's passionate and with Smelaine's passionate and excession work Mill west. Other ingrigins this week are a performance tornomow by Felicity Lott and Arm Nursey, white on Thursday a concert by the adventurous Brodely String Quarter offers music by Mendelssohn, West, Brubeck and Beethoven. The poetry of A.E. Houseman's a calabitated on Sunday in Blue Remembered Hills, an

L'ITHE ASPERN PAPERS' Duois à Travanti playe the scholar pretending love for Hennah Gordon to get hold of Michael Redgrave's famous adaptation of the Henny James tale Wyndrenia Theatre, Unoring Cross Road, WC2 (0171-389 1736). Previews. From hydrick Born Orece, July 3, Trem

from tonight, 8pm Opens July 1, 7pm.

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revival of Alan Bennett's merveliously modern farce: Brenda Blethyn, Celle Imne, Imelda Staunton, Jim Broadbent end Nicholas Woodeson, Sem Mendes

WC2 (0171-369 1732). Mon-Set, 8pm; mats Thurs and Set, 4pm, Unit July 27.

TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts compiled by Marit Hargie

evening of words and music, with actors John Nativis and Sam West, and the tenor Christopher Lemmings Featival Box Office (0171-638 8891). for venues and times

OLIVERI: Zany commons turned actor. Russ Abbot returns to the West End for four morates to take over the role of Fagin in Cometon Mackiniosh's hit production of Lonel Ban's musical London Palladium, Argyl Street, W1 (h) 71-404 5700 (C)

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Kohler as the pillars of society. Garrick, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (0171-494 5065). Mon-Fri, 7 45pm, Set 8.15pm; mats Wed, 2.30pm, Set. 8pm. LES PATTERSON, Barry Humphreys' other spokesman for Aussteland, the roving Minister for Culture, sharing himself with the Portal Humber Theoret White Landon SWI (0171-369 1735) Torughi-Said 8 30pm; mai Set, 6pm Ends Sat. ☐ PRIVATE LIVES: Cowerd's come

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TOMMY: Hugely impressive slaging of the traumatised child's apothecals to

be the first to say "just like Glyndebourne in the old days"? It has been said all too often about Garsington, though the combined talents of Fritz Busch and Carl Ebert, Glyndebourne's founding artistic fathers, remain a hard act to follow. But the beauty of the Jacobean manor house, of Lady Ottoline Morrell's garden and the serene view to the Chilterns add up to something very special, and the intimacy of the 250-seat

o who, we all wondered, would

feel part of an agreeable house-party. The puritan in me may revolt, but soon surrenders: anyway, what matters is the quality of the performances and last Thursday's Albert Herring was top-notch. Stephen Barlow conducted with vigour and sensitivity. making the most of Britten's musical jokes, some of them rather rude. Stephen Unwin's production was so unobtrusive as to be scarcely noticeable - a big plus in my book. The action

FOR the past couple of de-

cades José van Dam has been

Belgium's principal musical

export. But his visits to

London have been well spaced

out and until now have not

included the Wigmore Hall.

The need to put that right was

shown by the queue waiting

for returns at the box office,

possibly spurred by his out-standing Philip II in the Covent Garden Don Carlos.

The Van Dam bass-baritone

has always been a mellow

instrument, full of warmth

and regularly at its finest

when contemplating the frail-

ty of human emotions. Hans

Sachs has been one of his best

auditorium together with Leonard

ingrams's welcoming smiles make you

simply unfolded in the most natural fashion. And in Jackie

Brooks's decor the action took place at roughly the time of composition - 1947. in an Ealing Comedy world - reminding us that social

attitudes had not changed much since the Edwardian era. If there was a significant point in making-up poor Nigel Douglas (Mr Upfold) to look like Sir Oswald Mosley, then it escaped me, but there was a swing of Lady Billows's handbag in the third act, a set of her hair, to put one in mind of a certain Prime Minister. Good clean fun: Herring was all part of the brave new world we thought we were creating in the late 1940s: the opera ends with the old order in abject retreat and youth in command of the stage.

There are many delightful performances: the veteran Pauline Tinsley as hyperactively, and the arrival of the Lady Billows (every note in place from

not see 65 again); Jeffrey Lloyd-Roberts's roly-poly Al-bert: Patricia Boylan Albert Herring/ Il Turco in Italia quite outstanding as his dragon of a

a soprano who will

A top-notch cast and an unobtrusive production by Stephen Unwin made Garsington's new staging of Britten's Albert Herring a comic delight

OPERA

RECITAL

José van Dam

Wigmore Hall

ture, either vocal or physical.

He is the master of the soft

touch, where the final thought

of the verse can with perfect

control be made to fade away

in the air. In this he was well

abetted by his accompanist,

Maciej Pikulski.

Garsington Mum; Claire Henry a delicious Nancy; Lynne Davies the twittery schoolmarm: Mary King crystal clear as Florence Pike. An enchanted evening. Garsington's second offering is slightly less sure, though any opportunity to hear Rossini's absurdly rarelyperformed Turco in Italia is to be seized. The plot is made up as it goes along with the librettist on stage -Pirandello avant la lettre - and the

> Rossini's discovery of Cost fan tutte: there is a direct quote, and the score's greatest strength lies similarly in its sparkling ensembles rather than solos. Stefano Vizioli's production started

music was written in the wake of

ton and/or cocktails" mode led me to suspect, after last year's Haydn, that house-party settings may be Garsington house style, in which case one dreads them ever tackling Lohengrin... But everything calmed down, and there was some good, sharp comedy in the second half.

Similarly, the conductor, Wasfi Kani, started off in crisp, bandmasterly fashion, but relaxed and started to enjoy the music in time for the first-act finale. Mary Hegarty sang Fiorilla's music with needle-fine accuracy, Sieven Page turned in a superb comedy performance as her Pooter-ish husband, and as her cavallere servente. John Graham Hall slightly miscalculated the acoustics and sounded as though he were auditioning for Otello (Verdi's, not Rossini's). Francesco Facini rolled his eyes as the lecherous Turk: Lorenzo Carola could have been a touch more sly as the librettist with a work-block. A near-enchanted evening.

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Duparc opened the second

half, a deliberate lead into the

far more sophisticated sad-

ness of Jacques Ibert's Four

Don Quixote Songs. Van

Dam knows all about Cervan-

tes's knight, courtesy of Mas-

senet's opera, and he reached

musical peaks reflecting on Quixote's final peace on an isle

where the windmills turn no

more. Then he threw resigna-

tion to the breeze and ended

the official programme with Poulenc's Chansons gaillardes, very correctly translated as Naughty songs.

Here was the bank manager — and Poulenc — out on a spree, making schoolboyish jokes about things to do with a holy candle. Hans Sachs and the composer of The Carmelites had put on quite a different face. And the audience was sent home very happy after a couple of operatic encores, including Basino's Calumny Aria to remind. everyone that Philip II and Van Dam will be wrestling with their joint conscience again on stage shortly.

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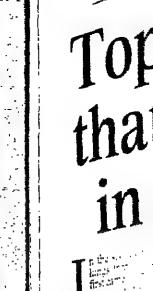
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POP 2 ... but there

was nothing very wholesome about the Sex Pistols' reunion in **Finsbury Park**





GALA

Sadler's Wells Theatre plays out 65 years of memories before the builders move in

Happiness is

a worn gun

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more like a postcard-punk caricature than he ever did in

his original incarnation. "Oh,

how you longed to see this day," he goaded the crowd.

which responded with a chant

of: "You fat bastard." "Don't

be naughty," Lydon admon-

With its pedalling rhythm, descending chord steps and

Chuck Berry-style guitar solo God Save the Queen was always a magnificent song.

and the lyrics have held up

remarkably well. But the punk

ethos - which always railed

against the mindless adula-

tion of rock stars and pre-ferred its heroes to come

equipped with a self-destruct mechanism — was not de-signed with big, open-air events in mind. With no new

material on offer, the set

lacked depth and variety, and

having built to a quick climax

with Holidays in the Sun,

Pretty Vacant and EMI, the

Pistols left the stage after less

than an hour to a muted

The "encores" produced reli-able versions of Anarchy in the U.K. and Problems, but

they lost their way as soon as

they departed from the script

during a more ambitious ren-

dition of the Stooges' proto-

"Thank you for coming to

my garden party," Lydon said as he departed, his duty done.

No future indeed, but still a

band with a past worth mak-

DAVID SINCLAIR

punk anthem, No Fun.

ing a bit of noise about.

a typically defiant John Lydon

(née Rotten), halfway through

the Sex Pistols first British

show in 20 years. And, if you

cut a swath through all the

hype this reunion has generated and the scepticism with

which it has understandably

been greeted, then he had

probably got it about right, For, although dubbed the Filthy Lucre tour (after a

tabloid headline from 1977:

"Punk? Call It Filthy Lucre"].

there is no doubt that the

Pistols were out to prove more

than their ability to make

money. Part of the "unfinished

business" to which Lydon referred at their recent press

conference involved the dis-

mantling of their long-stand-

ing reputation as the band that

But no matter what they did

they were never going to recapture the sense of outrage

that they generated so effort-

lessly in their prime. Indeed, it

is a measure of the group's baleful influence that nobody

now gets worked up about pop

stars using bad language in

their lyrics, and there was an

air of relaxed camaraderie

among the 30,000-strong

crowd as they sang along with

genial gusto to the I-words in

the opening number, Bodies, The Pistols had obviously

done their homework, and

despite a somewhat arthritic

feel to the rhythm section, they

thundered through Seventeen

and No Feelings with surpris-

ing conviction. But it was hard

could not play.



MUSIC

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At the Aldeburgh Festival, the Finnish composer Magnus Lindberg adds lustre to his reputation

POP: Mariah Carey, high priestess of power, and those old devils the Sex Pistols preach to two sets of believers

Top notes that come in wads

n the six years since the lungs from Long Island first came to prominence. their owner's countless millions of record sales around the world have granted her the first name familiar-ity afforded only a few female stars. There's Barbra, there's Tina, there's Diana. And, over and above all of them as a worldwide commodity, there's

Such pre-eminence has been achieved with song after song from an apparently endless supply of emotionally charged pop, each production embel-lished with tooling from Carey's R&B vocabulary. Remarkably, 100, her success in this country has been achieved without her fans being able to appreciate the Carey phenomenon at first hand. Until now, as she arrived in north London to make a belated live British

Wave after Mexican wave made its way around Wenibley Arena: six years of anticipation had made the crowd excitable, and the appearance of their all-American heroine was no letdown. Carey was lowered in a cage on to a tastefully opulent stage featuring two staircases and with hand members grouped to the left and right. The door to the cage opened, and the freed songbird in black ballgown

was ready. Emotions was a well-chosen opener, typical of the breezy optimism of her uptempo songs and a vehicle for her range. Close behind, from the current album, Daydream another double-platinum seller in Britain - came Open Arms, the first of the huge and wholesome ballads to which Carey is so partial.

No matter how glitzy her material, her demeanour was spontaneous and likeable, as she waved an England football scarf and later kicked a football into the audience. Terry Venables need not make a place for her in his side, but the trick was another demonstration of Carey's polished and relaxed stage presence.

Mariah Carey Wembley Arena

She also knows how to use all the visual theatries available. Fantasy employed a troupe of six dancers in a slick routine; the London Community Gospel Choir packed the stage for Make it Happen, Anytime You Need a Friend. Carey herself was as nimble in the dressing-room as she was in performance, totting up six different costumes in a 100minute show.

Slow pieces such as Hero and her remake of Without You pointed to the reason that Carey is sometimes accused of an overwrought vocal style. Her singing trademark is a heavily stylised embroidering of almost every note, now so ingrained that she knows not how to moderate it. Such gilding of the lily only serves to undermine the melodic structure of the piece.

in the carefully researched pop marketplace of the 1990s. Carey challenges little but help of the thousands of happy British fans who finally got their wish here, one can see those platinum awards still shining on to the millennium

FEW theatres are so fondly remem-

all, was where three of Britain's

greatest companies - the Roya

Ballet, Birmingham Royal Ballet and

English National Opera - were

born; where the single most impor-tant event in postwar British musical

life - the premiere of Britten's Peter

Grimes -- occurred: where actors

such as Gielgud and Richardson

Now, 65 years after Lilian Baylis

opened her new theatre on the site of

Richard Sadler's curative wells, the

place is coming down. By the end of

this week the existing building will

close. In July the north London venue

becomes a construction site. Two

years and £38 million later there will

regularly trod the boards.

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to ignore the element of pantomime in the performance. With his hair arranged in vertical spikes, Lydon looked Mariah Carey, splendidly over the top and finally over here, wows Wembley Arena Bringing the house down

spot (the fifth since 1683) and a little piece of history will be gone forever.

So the mood at Sunday night's farewell gala was understandably mixed: sadness at the loss of a landmark, excitement at the rebirth of a much-loved tradition. Sadier's Wells has probably influenced a wider range of British cultural life than anywhere else and they came from the worlds of opera, dance, theatre, operetta and pantomime to see the old girl out. Godfrey Kenton, who as Orsino in Twelfth Night

CONCERT

Farewell Gala Sadler's Wells

spoke the first words on Lilian Baylis's new stage in 1931, was there in front of us, still going strong at 94; while in the audience sat Dame Ninette de Valois, the 98-year-old founder of the Royal Ballet. The song and dance show was

weighted in favour of song: Sir Donald McIntyre beited out The Calf of Gold from Faust as if there were no tomorrow, and the dancers Marion Tait and Roland Price surprised us all with a terrific vocal turn in a specially rewritten Couple of Swells. The Gilbert and Sullivan went on too long - as did the gala itself - but Wayne Sleep did a wonderful Charlie Chaplin imitation. And Rosemary Ashe, Anne Collins and Della Jones brought the house down with their

hilarious Three Divas spoof of the

sequinned Nessun Dorma - complete with white handkerchiefs. There were jokes about architectural heritage (courtesy of Nickolas Grace) but no getting away from the theatre's shortcomings: the cramped seating, poor sightlines, overcrowded foyers, tiny stage and puny backstage facilities. Ian Albery, the boss of Sadler's Wells, promised us a theatre for the 21st century with 1,600 comfortable seats, a stage as big as the Coliseum's and a chameleon auditorium that will enable dance to be staged in radically different ways. In the meantime Sadler's Wells is relocating to the Royalty Theatre, which will be renamed the Peacock.

DEBRA CRAINE | Ballet next season.

DANCE

Room at the top

HAVING sorted out the backbone of his company, Derek Deane, artistic director of English National Ballet, now has to turn his attention to the top, Debra Craine writes.

Deane is losing his two greatest assets — Thomas Edur and Agnes Oaks - to Birmingham Royal Ballet next season, along with Ambra Vallo. Meanwhile Roman Rykin, another key player in Deane's line-up, is eaving ENB to pursue a freelance career. That means having to find new dancers from outside the company as well as offering more apportunities to those already in it.

One of those who is likely to benefit from the personnel changes is Monica Perego, who made her London debut in Cinderella on Thursday night. Perego, still a soloist, is a lovely dancer, very soft of

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line and pleasingly rounded in her physical responses to Prokofiev's lush musical writing. Her Cinderella was winsome and vulnerable and would have been even stronger had her partnership with Greg Horsman been more secure. It was clearly underrehearsed. Horsman having stepped in for her scheduled partner (the injured Rykin) on short notice.

This ballet brings out the best in Horsman, utilising his excellent classical technique and his fine carriage as the Prince. The Stepsisters, too, looked good. Marta Barahona as the short one is fiery and forthright, and Joanne Clarke as the tail one has a nicely understated sense of

humour. But the real star here is Michael Corder, the ex-Royal Ballet dancer who created Cinderella for ENB. Corder (Who was no mean dancer himself) obviously loves the score, so harmoniously does he allow it to direct the dance. His classical staging is exemplary, the depth of the ensem-ble work dazzing (especially in the ballroom scene), and the Fairy Variations are as pretty as can be (although not so well danced on Thursday

night).
Sadly, we will not be seeing than two years: the production is bound for the Boston

CLASSICAL CHOICE

A guide to the best available recordings, presented in conjunction with Radio 3

MOZART'S MASS IN C MINOR

f Mozart had finished this. it would have been as long as the B minor Mass of Bach -- and as much of a milestone in musical history. Sadly, the work, intended as a thanks-offering for Mozart's wedding, was to remain a torso, and one presenting several problems for modern editors. It is only in recent decades that it has entered the standard choral repertoire.

Few of the recordings of the Mass involving fullsize symphony orchestras are entirely convincing. Colun Davis's London Symphony Chorus and Orchestra hurl ferocious attacks into the unsuitably vast spaces of Westminster Cathedral. Georg Soln's tigerish account is let down by the inadequate Vienna Opera Chorus, Herbert von Karajan's monumental conception of the great choruses is fatally flawed by the weakness of the

Wiener Singverein sopranos. However, Leonard Bern-stein galvanished the Bavar-ian Radio Chorus and Symphony Orchestra into a powerful and insightful performance (DG 431 791-2). Even more satisfying is Claudio Abbado, with the Berlin Radio Choir and Berlin Philharmonic, and probably the best solo team of any, led by the sweet and true Barbara Bonney (Sony Classical SK 46671).

Among mid-scale recordings by chamber orchestras of modern instruments, the lead-



ing accounts are Helmuth Rilling's with Stuttgart forces, cool and clear but just too uninvolved, and the two versions by Neville Marriner with his Academy and Chorus of St Martin in the Fields. The earlier, more evenly paced, is on Philips (446 197-2).

But my final choice lies among those recordings which attempt to enter Mozart's own time. Philippe Herreweghe, with his Collegium Vocale. Chapelle Royale and Orchestre des Champs-Elysees (Harmonia Mundi HMX 2901 393) is always carefully detailed, and boasts the pellucid Christiane Oelze among his soloists. But two outstanding Brinsh performances vie for the final recommendaton. Christopher Hogwood, with his Academy of Ancient Music, has the benefit of the brilliant Winchester Cathedral Choir and a fine solo team led by Arleen Auger (L'Oiseau-Lyre 425 528-2). But equally thrilling, and even more purposeful, is John Eliot Gardiner, with his Monteverdi Choir and English Baroque Soloists, and a solo team headed by the ravishing Sylvia McNair (Philips 420 210-2, E14.95).

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Three Tenors, treating us to a MUSIC FESTIVALS: Notable first performances in Suffolk and Orkney

RELENTLESSLY brutal works made Magnus Lind-berg's name in the mid-1980s. Then the young Finn seemed just another laceless product of Pierre Boulez's IRCAM laboratory. But something — perhaps his year-long illness — shook up Lindberg's style. Two new pieces played by the London Sinfonietta at Snape Maltings on Friday confirmed that he has widened his emotional range without sacrific-ing his vast technical prowess. Not yet 40, he will surely be a dominant force in European music for decades.

Engine, receiving its premiere, still has its hard, glitter-ing surfaces and frantic motion. If hailstones and whirlwinds created music, it would sound like this. But there are rich timbres and cogent harmonic progressions too. as well as unremitting virtuoso demands; the Sinfon-

Sparks in the engine room

ALDEBURGH

ietta under Markus Stenz rose magnificently to the challenge. The other new Lindberg piece was more relaxed in spirit: Arena II glances back to Stravinsky's Rite of Spring in its pulsating dance passages and to Sibelius in its primordi-

al, open brass chords. in the same concert George Benjamin's Three Inventions. first heard at the Salzburg Festival last year, began in sombre mood and became blacker. First came a disquieting flugelhorn solo, then a brittle, dark scherzo. But these

were mere preludes to a last movement which, with subterranean scoring and haleful crashes, seemed wrenched from a nasty nightmare. What does it all mean? Much more fun was Colin Matthews's Hidden Variables: a sparkling, ten-minute in-joke at the expense of several famous minimalists.

The Aldeburgh Festival's final weekend also included Julian Anderson: A Musical Portrait, a morning concert in which the 28-year-old English composer introduced music by himself and those he admires. One of these proved to be Galina Ustvol'skaya, veter-

an Russian recluse and (if her champions are to be believed) one of the century's great undiscovered composers. But her Trio for piano, violin and clarinet — though persuasive-ly played by Ian Pace, Rebecca van der Post and Guy Cowley - seemed remorselessly austere and joyless, especially before lunch.

Anderson's own music, by contrast, was a tonic. We heard Pace's stupendous first performances of Two Piano Etudes, pieces that dazzled in about eight different idioms at once, from Bach to an Ella Fitzgerald homage (the second etude was finished only a week ago). And Anderson's Bearded Lady, a typically East European-tinged "battle" be-tween clarinet and plano, was an exhibitating melodrama in

RICHARD MORRISON

Maxwell Davies's savage elegy

LIKE the Arctic terns wheeling high above the harbour Peter Maxwell Davies's Sixth Symphony has come home to most. This new work was written, typically, in the com-poser's isolated stone cottage on the island of Hoy; but it is his first symphony to receive

an Orkney premiere. The Royal Philharmonic, celebrating its 50th anniversary, travelled up in three planeloads, and the first performance was conducted by Maxwell Davies himself in Kirkwall's tiny Phoenix Cinema at the start of this year's 20th St Magnus Festival. It will now make its way to the Proms (August 6) and the

Barbican (October 11). After the austerities of the chamber-orchestral Fourth and the single-movement ST MAGNUS

full orchestral palette of the Second and Third - and to some of their concerns. The sea, once again, dominates, Not in any pictorial sense, but in the inextorable tug and flow. current and undertow of the music's pulses and tempi.

Here is the composer's abiding fascination with the organisation of different time-flows and the striving to make structure clear over long passages of time, through the use of distinctive harmonic and rhythmic "spectrums". Again, as in the Second Symphony. is the obsession with what Davies calls the "arithmetic" of nature's own repeating patterns: the spiral of a whelk shell, the curve of a wave, the

vies's symphonies lies in the way that their intellectual problem-solving expresses it-self in a palpable physical and emotional energy. And in this new symphony there is a new concentration, a new intensity of outworking - and a new

The starting point is a slow tune from Maxwell Davies's own Time and the Raven, written for the 50th anniversary of the United Nations and given a robust performance in a separate Kirkwall concert the following day. It permeates the symphony's three movements, tossed, turned and transformed in the dark voices of bass woodwind and brass which, together with the rehabilitated glockenspiel, marimba and huge drams.

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point: there is tremendous excitement here.

The second movement is after shock: layers peel away only to be buffeted by a demonic scherzo which constantly disrupts the gradual surfacing of the slow-moving heart of the work. That heartbeat is finally bared in the

third and last movement. Maxwell Davies wrote this mphony in just a few weeks in the late winter of this year. Uncannily, just as he was completing it, he heard of the death of his great friend and colleague, the poet George Mackay Brown. This long, raging funeral rite of a symphony, written in the dark pulses of sea and wind, is ledicated to his memory.

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kerse. The interview was soon excled. Some candidates, no doubt, can pull off a joke with success. But they are rare, and the very atmosphere and purpose of the interview militates against it. More often, attempts at mour signity nervousness. Sometimes, they are simply a disguise for aggression. Either way, they tail to impress. Our advice is to err on the side of caution. Being too heavy, of course, doesn't help, but appearing

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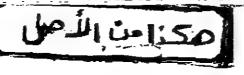
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Voice of the victim

The Home Secretary has agreed to the idea of impact statements.

But, says Annerleigh Harrison,

there may be problems ahead

tuart Ferguson almost died in an attempted murder. Years later. the effects - physical. financial and emotional - still haunt him and his family.

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At a recent Victim Support conference he was asked: "What single change would you make to the criminal justice system?" Without hesitation, he re-

plied: "A chance for victims to tell the court the full effects, for them and their families, I never got that chance. The jury never knew how much we all

The suffering continued, he added, although the physical and the emotional effects changed. "Victims' comments should be updated," he said. "during the sentence and before release."

He was calling for victim impact statements — the vic-tims' voice in court — to be put on paper, if not made in person. And last week Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, pledged to introduce them. He said that victims should have the chance to explain the effect

of the crime against them. This will then be taken into account by courts before they decide how to deal with the offender. Mr Howard is planning for year-long pilot schemes to be launched in six police force areas

"impact statements"

The victim has no special status in a trial, no equivalent to the defence's "plea in mitt-gation". Victims' fears and grievances are seldom formally aired. Increasingly, though, victims are demanding a chance to be heard.

In America, this is achieved routinely by victim impact but these have been an alien concept in British justice and, despite Mr Howard's agenda, remain controversial. Lord Taylor of Gosforth, who has just retired as Lord Chief Justice, addressing the same Newcastle upon Tyne conference, called victim impact statements "an American import we can well do

Lord Taylor was not unsym-

pathetic to victims' desire for official recognition. Indeed, he agreed that the crime's effects should be put before the court, although via reports compiled by the police and presented through existing channels. This reflects growing acknow-ledgement by legal agencies that victims require, and deserve, a higher status in the criminal justice process.

The Home Office has its Victims Steering Group. The Crown Prosecution Service states: "We will show sensitivity and understanding to vic-tims and witnesses." Even the Probation Service has its "victim perspective". Its new policies include consulting victims before release of life-licence prisoners, and inclusion of the offence's consequences in the pre-sentencing reports on assessment

The Victim Support organisation has improved status, and last year issued a State-ment of victims rights. This included the "right to respect, recognition and support", and the right to have the op-portunity to provide information about the

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criminal justice process. Even Victim Support, however, is wary of victim impact statements. Implementational problems still should victim impact statements be made? At what stage? To which

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would work. Victims of the most serious crimes would be sufficient resources; some, inappropriate remit.) Would victims always be told what was reported on their behalf? How? What about updating? (Trials take many months to reach Crown Court)

Five police authorities have started a pilot project to collect and update victim statements, but scarce resources make this

a difficult target. To whom should statements be available? All agencies? All witnesses? The defence? And what then of the right of challenge? Could the victim be cross-examined in court? of confidentiality? Should the victim have a chance to give his or her statement personally in court? if so. to what purpose? To provide official recognition of the victim's troubles, to elicit the



Despite all the doubts, devastated victims are still crying to be heard

court's sympathy or even to influence compensation claims? There is professional anxiety that victim impact state-

ments could sway sentencing. The "quality" of the state-ments, especially if delivered in person, would vary widely according to the character, demeanour and articulateness of victims. Some victims may be defiberately vengerul, or forgiving. Uneven sentencing

ard though it may be for victims to accept, a British trial examines the crime, not the impact. Victims' interest and "the public interest" may not coincide. It would seem unjust if an offender were sentenced according to how badly the victim was

perceived to have suffered. Devastated victims, however, may not accept this. For victims themselves, impact statements are double-edged swords. The potential for fur-

ther pain is enormous. What could be worse than being "consulted" - and then apparently discounted? Being crossexamined by defence counsel could. If the victim's views were considered to have affected verdict or sentence: would the victim feel "guilty"? Worse, he or she could fear, even suffer, intimidation, especially in cases involving violence. Victim Support asserts the victim's right "to be free of the burden of decisions relating to

the offender" - with good If victim impact statements became the norm, what would happen when the victim shy, frightened, aged or ill, perhaps with learning difficulties — couldn't "do it"? Would their case suffer? Would compensation be affected? The victim would end up blaming

Despite such arguments, victims are still crying to be heard. The more serious the offence, the louder they insist. Some are now engaging solici-tors to submit their statements because "the system" does not. Rejecting well-meant advice, victims are demanding their say, and involvement in decision-making.

Perhaps criminal professionals should listen -really listen. Maybe a legally acceptable way can be found to give victims the voice that they crave and to provide them use it.

• The writer is a witness service co-

The clever tricks to catch clever Dicks

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The dirty tricks used in personal injury claims have been exposed to the unsympathetic scrutiny of the Court of Appeal. Recently, the court upheld an award of £190,000 to George Drummond for work injuries after Shrewsbury & Atcham Borough Council argued that the trial judge had allowed his distaste for the council's methods

to affect his judgment.

The council had hired a private investigator to pose as a market researcher and offer Mr Drummond money to wash his car with a shampoo. A video film was taken of Mr Drummond washing his car and this was produced in court in an attempt to show that he had exaggerated his injuries. The Court of Appeal accepted that the activity had caused Mr Drummond great pain and condemned the council for "unacceptable practices".

Fake market researchers and secret videos are staples in the personal injury business, which is a very dirty game. The dirty dealing starts with the accident. Often,

this occurs nowhere near where it is subsequently claimed to have happened. The classic example is the weekend sporting accident the plaintiff says happened the following day at his workplace when he slipped on an uncleaned floor. Many "professional claim

ants" are permanently unemployed and have to "rely" on uneven pavements. As it is well established that it is a breach of statutory duty for the highway authority to allow more than 1.5 inches of uneverness in a pavement, any such unevenness will become a magnet for trippers. One Northern Ireland claimant managed to trip over 14 pavements in a year.

The insurance companies are, of course, aware of this and one large company is renowned for its cynicism over tripping claims. Respectable middle-aged women who trip during their mid-morning shopping are likely to be asked whether they had been drinking that morning. Anyone tripping after leaving licensed premises will be assumed to be drunk until proved otherwise.

The personal injury industry divides into plaintifis' and defendants' representatives. This is particularly so with solicitors and doctors. Senior medical men often find themselves acting almost exclusively for one side or other. The defendant's doctors are selected for their unsympathetic attitude towards claimants. Some of them, while conducting medical examinations, expertly cross-examine the plaintiff as to how the accident happened. The medical report then contains damaging comments that the plainnn admined he w is responsible for the accident. Because these doctors are being paid by the insurance company, they can dispense

with any pleasantries — one consultant surgeon in Shropshire used to preface any examination by saying: "If you managed to get here, there can't be anything wrong with

Some plaintiff's doctors are just as bad, and they are sought out by firemen and policemen trying to get early retirement on health grounds. A number of police have managed to retire early on health grounds when there are disciplinary

disciplinary proceedings pending.

Insurance companies are full of tricks for undermining the claimant. I was once instructed on behalf of a handicapped child who had been knocked down on a pedestrian crossing by a motorist who drove through a red traffic light.

Undeterred by the fact that the motorist had pleaded guilty in the magistrates' court to careless driving, the insurance company not only defended the claim but made a counterclaim against the child for the damage to the

front of the insured's car. The insurers lost. If a plaintiff is privately paying, some companies will defend the case in the hope that the plaintiff will run out of money and be unable to pursue

it. This is known in the trade as "running them out of chips". If the plaintiff persists in taking the case to court, the final weapon in the insurer's armoury is the video. The purpose of the video is to show that the plaintiff is not really injured at all. This is done by filming the defendant

doing something suitably ath-letic. Filming techniques vary. One favourite is to film the plaintiff crossing the road. If the plaintiff fails to show enough sprightliness, an accomplice drives a car at the plaintiff to make him jump out of the

way. The video can be edited to remove the oncoming car and then adjustments are made to the tape speed to make the plaintiff appear to be walking briskly before dashing across

ny witnesses going to court are likely to be nobbled if left unattended. Most are unsure of themselves and if an officious person approaches and asks them to sign. a statement, they do. It is only when they are giving evidence and the statement is handed to them that they realise that what they have signed contradicts their original statement. The new statement was taken by the other side's solicitor, who was taking advantage of the rule that there is no property in a witness. Prudent solicitors keep their witnesses "corralled" and let the judges know as little as possidle about the diffi is not something that bears close scrutiny. ■ The author is a practising solicitor.

Under the hammer

THE LATE Lord Goodman's art collection goes under the hammer at Bonhams tomorrow. As well as being the leading lawyer of his generation, Lord Goodman was well known as a patron of the arts. His paintings, which he started collecting at university, range from 17th-century works to 1970s Op Art by Bridget Riley, one of his close friends. Legal subjects, not surprisingly, are included: there are works by Jean-Louis Forain, the French turn-ofthe-century artist, plus caricatures and cartoons of the great man himself.

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JEFFREY ARCHER'S latest novel. The Fourth Estate, is a testament to his close friendship with the cream of the legal profession. Dedicated to "Michael and Judith", it cites a Mr Michael Beloff. QC. acting for The Globe, in battle with a Mr Anthony Grabinar (his spelling, not mine), QC for The Citizen.

First target HOW does Michael Howard - himself a silk - regard the new Lord Chief Justice? The

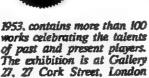




Lord Goodman: arts patron

cieverest brains on the Bench" was his comment - or words to that effect. Less keen on the appointment are the Bar rank and file, who look likely to be Lord Bingham of Corohill's first target, rather than Mr Howard's sentencing policies. First stop? Rights of audience for Crown prosecutors, this

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Pupil power THE REPORT of the Bar

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Council's working group on pupillages, led by Mr Justice Hooper, has been endorsed by both the Bar Council and

the four lans of Court.

There is, however, one suggestion that is sure to have some chambers quaking in their boots. The working group would like former pu-pils to draw up an alternative prospectus for pupillages. These should be along the lines of a prospectus which is already published by the Bar school students and is praised by the working group for providing practical advice with a touch of irreverence

and humour". The group's general conclusions are that there is nothing wrong with the pupillage system so long as its rules and regulations are complied with by pupils and pupil masters and mistresses. It does, however, propose a series of "interventionist measures" to en-

that this happens including a recommendation that pupil masters should be of at least seven years' call.

 WATCH OUT for a BBC! documentary series on the time focusing on women. Law Women has looked at the work of a detective inspector, a lawyer and a prison governor
— all juggling jobs with
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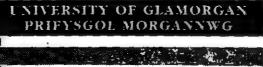
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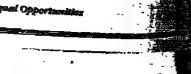
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Jury service demands will come as a rude shock to most

Spaniards, reports Josephine Carr

There may be queries on the role of jurors, especially since the O.J. Simpson trial, but the new Spanish Government has just introduced juries for criminal trials.

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However, while the Spanish Constitution, which heralded the return of democracy 20 years ago, included the princi-ple that the Spanish people should participate in the administration of justice, the impending creation of jurors has met with a mixture of amusement and indifference.

"Because the Spanish have not grown up with a jury system," says Ernesto Diaz-Bastien, a partner in the Madrid firm Diaz-Bastien & Truan, "their only knowledge of jurors comes from watching American television shows. Juries are not seen as an essential part of the democratic system and people are generally satisfied with their criminal justice system."

There are also concerns about the costs involved. "Juries have been labelled an expensive luxury, particularly at a time when there is a budget crisis here," says Señor Diaz-Bastien. No one knows the true cost, but in order to set up the system, facilities such as jury rooms must be built.

English and continental mod-

A MAN who was forced to defend

himself against a £2.5 million libel action and won went to court last week to try to recover £250.000 legal costs still owed to him a year after

the action.

Ian Hill, the managing director of
Bristol Uniforms, one of the coun-

try's leading manufacturers of fire-fighting clothing, found himself forced to defend a libel action last

year at a cost of more than £400.000. But under the rules governing legal costs, Mr Hill recouped only

£140,000 of his legal costs - and that

only in April this year, nine months

The case arose over comments that

he was alleged to have made when

asked his opinion about some mate-

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els when putting together their own. The result is that a Spanish jury is independent of the judge and drawn from the general public it will consist of nine people, of whom a majority of seven must vote to establish a guilty verdict. But just five votes are needed to record a not guilty verdict

Jurors will sit only in certain cases. The most important are murder, fraud, and environmental crimes. The environ-ment was included, says Luis de Carlos Bertran, a partner with Uria & Menendez in Madrid, because the environment is an issue of public concern. Allowing a jury to decide on guilt or innocence in environmental crimes is causing concern among the business community, which is afraid that it will result in many more convictions.

Surprisingly, and despite a strong lobby in some legal circles, sexual crimes and crimes of violence that do not result in death are not tried by

jury.
There are concerns that be-cause of the general indiffer-ence, it will be hard to get people to turn up to do their jury service. Jurors will be selected using the annual census, and every two years a pool of possible jurors will be cre-The Spanish studied the ated by ballot Attention has already focused on how to



avoid doing jury service. Se-nor Diaz-Bastien says: "The list of exemptions is short. That is partly because we lack experience and have not yet thought of all situations in which it will be impractical for people to sit on a jury. In our

London office our secretary was selected for jury service, so we sent a letter saying she was essential to the office and she was excused. That will not be possible in Spain."

There is a danger that indifference will turn to hostility when people realise the implications. But, says Señor Diaz-Bastien: The Spanish system is new and will have to accommodate the needs of the general public, just as the English system has done over

about the Spanish people's ability to do the job. "It will work," he says. "Why not? if people are of an age to vote why shouldn't they decide whether someone is guilty or not? We should not fear their opinions on the facts."

Mr Hill said: "Mr Matthews and his lawyers questioned every item on the list of costs. This was entirely legal under the legislation, but effectively meant that only an interim order [on costs] could be made. I will not now recover the £100,000,

tor, said: "In commonsense terms, the situation is ludicrous. Everyone knows that Mr Matthews owes the money. But until the bill was taxed by the court, it is theoretically possible the court could say that Mr

How the law firms survived

Businesses in Manchester had workable contingency plans for the

aftermath of terrorist attacks The IRA bomb in Manchester took its toil of the business commun-

firms, was that they were excluded from their offices until the following Tuesday Manchester may not have seemed an obvious target; but the large firms did have con-tingency plans that carried them through the disaster.

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empt. The immediate

problem, as for many other

Staff from the worst affected, Addleshaw Sons & Latham. were accommodated by another firm.
The devastation of Addleshaws' two offices was a cruel

irony. The firm is part of the Norton Rose M5 Group, and Norton Rose had itself twice been bombed out of its London offices. The only person on the premises was David Penny, a security guard, who was blown 15 feet and badly cut on the legs. It was five hours before rescue services could reach him to find his legs so swollen that the hospital was unable to stitch his wounds.

Addleshaws had, however, drawn on the experience of Norton Rose in preparing a disaster plan. The Corps of Commissionaires created a switchboard for it in Trafford, and James Chapman & Co. another law firm, gave its two largest conference rooms, one as a post room and the other for a management team. On Wednesday, structural engineers said the buildings were safe and cleaners, glaziers and half the staff moved back into the Dennis House office (the Pall Mall office was too badly damaged to be back in business immediately).
The senior partner, David Tully, said: The spirit of co-

operation that prevailed among the professional community was remarkable. We were inundated with offers of help." The firm made special telephone arrangements to contact all staff, and it put out announcements to staff on a local radio station. Vaudreys,

another law firm near the blast, was helped by having a document store outside Man-chester. It had a contingency plan to use it as a switchboard, and by Saturday night, faxes were being handled from home by Deborah Ascott-Jones, the marketing director. Halliwell Landau, only 50

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yards up the hill from Addleshaws, was comparatively undamaged. (It is a more modern building than Dennis House, which Addleshaws is leaving next spring.) The information technology manager had access to its systems from his home, so he was able to establish that things were still working.

Some odd effects occurred: the buildings opposite Pannone & Partners had their front blown in, but P&P lost only a few

windows.

The big law firms had elaborate plans for catastrophes, but what has emerged from the bombing is, as Nigel Kissack, Alsop Wilkinson's managing partner, puts it, " a reminder to back up your systems every night and to take tapes home — always".

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Frances Gibb on a pyrrhic victory against a £2.5m libel action

When a winner is the loser

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Mr Matthews sued for libel over remarks Mr Hill is alleged to have made when the latter's opinion was sought by a fire brigade supplies officer about the material. Mr Hill says he had no choice but to defend

himself against the action. But he then found himself out of pocket because of "massive" legal costs, which be doubts he will ever recover.

Last July, after an Il-day hearing, the court agreed that Mr Matthews should not have put forward the material without adequate testing. Mr Justice Wright said that Mr Matthews had presented "a combination of conspiracy theory, wishful thinking and self-deception". He suspected that Mr Matthews had

intended to gain substantial sums at the hands of a jury as compensation for what he feared was doomed to be an unsuccessful business venture.

A hearing to agree the costs resulted in Mr Matthews and his companies paying out £140,000. But because lawyers disputed items in the bill of costs, only an interim order could be made. A second charnbers hearing said Mr Hill should receive another £131,000, leaving more than £100,000 outstanding.

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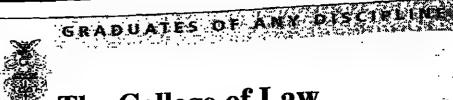
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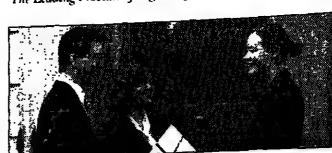
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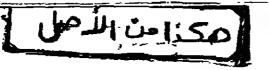
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Lameness forces Shaamit to miss Irish Derby

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

FOR the second time this month, a Derby will be denied the true favourite because of a foot injury. After Dr Massini's mishap, Shaamit, Epsom's equine hero, has been found lame after twisting a shoe on his off-fore hoof and will miss the Irish classic at the Curragh on Sunday.

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Just how the setback occurred is a mystery, as William Haggas, Shaamit's trainer, explained yesterday: "I have no idea how he did it - he had a long walk on Sunday morning and was absolutely fine afterwards. It is unfortunate but it is a short-term setback. but just long enough to rule him out of the race.

"I suppose it is better that it happened last night as we have saved ourselves the Ir£60,000 supplementary fee. In that respect the timing was right but it's Sod's Law really because I spent most of yesterday telling everyone how well he was and now I have to turn round and say this."

He added: "He has twisted a shoe and is lame and sore. It was found at evening stables last night, so we have taken the shoe off and applied a poultice."

Shaamit should be fine in a few days and Haggas hopes to have a shoe back on his classic winner by tomorrow, "If we didn't have to supplement him we might have gone to Ireland, but I could not take the

risk. In these races you have to he 100 per cent."

The colt, who won on his seasonal reappearance at Epsom, will now be prepared for the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot or a step back in trip for Sandown's Eclipse Stakes

Ladbrokes quickly revised the unte-post odds and their new 13-8 favourite is Dushyantor, who finished runner-up to Shaamit, while Dr Massini is 9-4. They then her 3-1 Alhaarth (from 4-2), 10-1 Polaris Flight, Sharaf Kabeer, 16-1 Amfortas, 25-1 Rainbow Blues, His Excellence.

Poluris Flight, trained by Peter Chapple-Hyam, also suffered an injury scare yes-



Haggas: alternative steps

terday when he was found to have pulled off a shoe but was found to be fine. "He goes for the Irish Derby and he will run very well. Mick Kinane thought he should have won the French Derby," the Manton trainer said.

After a quiet spell, the Manton horses are now back in full health and Spectrum, arguably the stable-star, is on target for the Eclipse Stakes subject to working well this ມາດການກະ. The Melbourne Cup may be

five months away but Chapple-Hyam has already pencilled in Court Of Honour as a possible runner. Third behind Classic Cliche in the Yorkshire Cup, he filled a similar spot behind Double Trigger in the Henry II Stakes at Sandown before knocking a tendon, which forced him to miss Ruval Ascot, Instead of being rerouted to the Curragh Cup, he may go straight for the Irish St Leger, won by Vintage Crop in 1994, the same year he won the Melbourne Cup.

Nash House, one-time favourite for the Derby before disappointing in the Dante Stakes, is now 100 per cent having been a very sick horse. We will bide our time with him. The Irish Derby has come too quickly and we might wait for the Great Voltigeur. I still believe he could be a very good horse."



Sangster chips in with casino sponsor

BY RICHARD EVANS

THE biggest, and potentially the best, owner sponsorship deal was signed yesterday between Robert Sangster and Grosvenor Casinos.

Apart from the £500,000 which will he paid to Sangster's Swettenham Stud operation over the next three years, the casino group is also planning a second phase to its sponsorship by providing financial

backing for various race meetings. Sangster is Britain's most success ful owner-breeder, having had 97 individual horses that have won group one races internationally, while Grosvenor Casinos, which has 32 sites in Britain including the Clermont Club and the Grosvenor

Victoria Casino in London, is the The search then began for a suitable nation's largest casino operator.

There is an obvious synergy between our businesses and I feel sure that this sponsorship will devel-op into a very successful partnership," Sangster said.
The deal is particularly beneficial

for Grosvenor Casinos, part of the Rank organisation, as sponsorship enables them to promote and raise the profile of their business in a way which is not open to them through advertising, because of tight regulations by the Home Office.

Until this year the company's casinos operated under more than a dozen brand names, but from January all bar one have traded under the single name of Grosvenor Casinos. sponsorship target and Sangster was chosen ahead of Newcastle United.

With around one million registered members, including a number of Middle Eastern high rollers, there is, not surprisingly, a large percentage interested in horse racing — hence the link-up.

A regular newsletter will be sent from Manton, where the majority of Sangster's 65 horses are trained by Peter Chapple-Hyam, while ten twoyear-olds next season will be named after the sponsor's product - with casino members being asked to suggest suitable names.

David Boden, managing director of Grosvenor Casinos, said: "Historically, our profile has been low. Casinos are tightly regulated and. among other things, we are prohibited from advertising. But times are changing and we are increasingly competing for the available 'leisure pound'. We are not only competing with our rival casino operators, but also with the Lottery, other forms of gaming, leisure and entertainment. So that's why we are now taking a much more determined approach to promoting ourselves."

The link-up between Sangster and Grosvenor Casinos means owner sponsorship deals worth more than £5 million have now been signed since the Sponsorship Framework for Racehorse Owners was launched by the British Horseracing Board two

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TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

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Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 Polar Champ. 3.30 FAITH ALONE (nap). COING: FIRM (TURF COURSE), STANDARD (ALL-WEATHER) DRAW, 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.30 KELLY SERVICES GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,785: 1m 2f) (7 runners) (3) 0-52 POLAR CHAMP 12 5 Woods 9-0

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4.45 TOTE TRIO HANDICAP (£2,988. 7f 3yd) (9 runners)

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Cigar ready for comeback

CIGAR, the Dubai World Cup winner, has responded to treatment on a bruised off-fore hoof and could return to the track next month. The six-year-old, unbeaten in his last 15 starts, needs one more win to break the modern North American record for successive victories set by Citation from 1948-1950. He is being trained for the "Arlington Citation Challenge", a specially framed at Arlington Park, Chicago, on July 13.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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Fallon keeps up winning run

KIEREN FALLON, who rode ten winners last week, includ-ing two at Royal Ascot. continued in inspired form at Musselburgh yesterday when completing a 20-1 treble on Fonzy, Ambidextrous and Perilous Plight

Fallon is second to Pat Eddery in the jockeys' champ-ionship with 62 winners, and is on course to better his previous best of 92 successes last year.

RACING AHEAD Robert Wright suggests the best value in the ante-post market

GUIDE TO THE LEADING PRICES

Snow Princess

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While the Irish Derby at the Curregh will dominate the headlines this weekend, the Northumberland Plate — also known as the Plimen's Derby — provides the main betting contest. With just 16 horses declared at yesterday's five-day stage, only Ladbrokes offer each-way terms to include the fourth home.

Snow Princess showed progressive form last session, landing the November Hanrigap on her

Snow Princess showed progressive form last season, landing the November Handicap on her final outing, and continued the winning run on her reappearance at Doncaster. She has solid claims, but has been raised 7to for that win and offers little value at 7-2.

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had his fimitations exposed when nerrowly beate by Corradini at York and he, too, looks plenty short enough at 9-2, istabraq would have claims short enough at 9-2. Istabraq would have claims if the rain that is forecast for the end of the week materialises, but cannot be backed at this stage. Orchestre Stall is lightly reced for a four-year-old, having run just five times. He has shown smart form this season, winning at Ripon in April before tailing to lest home over two miles on testing ground at Newbury. With further improvement likely, he has each-way claims.

However, the Mary Reveley-trained Foundry Lane looks a better proposition. Third in lest year's Ebor Handloap at York, he then finished just over six lengths fifth to Snow Princess over an inedequate 1½ miles at Doncaster. With a 16th turnaround in the weights and a sotra hatt-mile to

Ebor Handloap at York, he then finished just of six lengths fifth to Snow Princess over an inadequate 1½ miles at Doncaster. With a 16th turnaround in the weights and a sours helf-mile cover, FOUNDRY LANE has every chance of reversing that form, and is a tremendous sach-way bet at the 10-1 on offer with Ladbrok

Tom Jones to retire at end of season

Harry Thomson Jones, 71, known to all in racing as Tom Jones, is to retire at the end of the season. The decision concludes an illustrious career, highlighted by fine achieve-ments under both codes. Jones will leave over 1,800

victories in the record books of which those achievements with Frenchman's Cove. Chorus and Tingle Creek over obstacles and Athens Wood, Touching Wood and his Irish 1,000 Guineas winner, Al Bahathri, stand out.

Jones has been largely credited with fostering the early relationship with British rac-ing and the Maktoum family and was the first British trainer for Hamdan Al-Maktoum in the early 80s.

Angus Gold, the owner's racing manager, said: "Tom has been such an enormous help to Sheikh Hamdan for so many years that it's fair to say a lot of his success and luck

has been due to Tom. "As well as being a good trainer for him, he has been a

THE Newmarket trainer operation up and running. I think he was largely responsi-ble for Sheikh Hamdan buying Height Of Fashion the dam of Nashwan and Un-

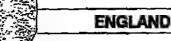
fuwain]".
The trainer said: "From the time that we bought his first yearlings and broodmares, I have been made to feel, not just an employee, but a per-sonal friend and partner in the start of a great enterprise. It follows that it is only after consulting Sheikh Hamdan that I have made this decision

Jones also paid tribute to his staff, saying: "I owe an enormous debt to all the wonderful people who have worked with me."



EURO 96

DAILY TEAM-BY-TEAM GUIDE



England's success in Euro 96 is testing the legendary sang-froid of the occupants of the Wembley press box.

Most of the more cosmopolitan and experienced members of the English media still manage to watch events unfold before them with a proper sense of decorum but the neophytes among us have been letting ourselves down regularly. Heads have been buried in neighbours' shoulders in moments of anxiety and lists raised in the air in times of triumph. Even congratulatory hugs were seen

after the penalties against Spain.
Terry Venables is trying to shield his players from the growing sense of national euphoria but it is getting harder. The players were allowed out of the confines of their Burnham Beeches hotel on Sunday for a few hours and Stuart Pearce got a bigger cheer than Johnny Rotten when he appeared at the Sex Pistols concert in Finsbury

Park to introduce the band Crowds are starting to line the route between the hotel, a few miles north of Slough, and Wembley on match days and even though yesterday was a closed training session at Bisham Abbey, there were more than 100 people clustered around the gates warting expectantly with autograph books and footballs.

"It is so quiet in the hotel you could hear a pin drop," Venables said yesterday. "It's just once we venture outside it becomes a problem."

CAUTIONS: Ince (2), G Neville (2), Ademis, Shearer, Sheringham, Southgate

SEMI-FINAL

England v Germany Tomorrow (Wembley, 7.30) BBC1 and ITV



GERMANY

Germany yesterday swapped Mottram Hall for the Marylebone Road, exchanging the Cheshire countryside for the dubious delights of Central London, to prepare for tomorrow's semi-final against England. On the whole, whatever the players think, the delegation and support staff welcomed the move. Sepp Maler, who is with the party as grall seming coach, was less harmy at leaving a ho-

staff welcomed the move. Sepp Maler, who is what the party as goalkeeping coach, was less happy at leaving a hotel on a golf course "I think Sepp takes his golf clubs to the bathroom with him," said one delegation member.

There is some tension between Andreas Köpke and the leader of the German delegation, Gerhard Mayer-Vorfelder After Sunday's game Köpke told Mayer-Vorfelder, who is also chairmen of MR Shittinger, that he now Vorteider, who is also chairman of VfB Stuttgart, that he now wants to join Barcelona, despite agreeing to join Stuttgart two weeks ago. The club are insisting that he has signed a vidid contract, and the affair is now in the hands of the lawyers.

Jürgen Klinsmann will not play tomorrow, but he is still hoping that a German win will give him an outside chance of fulfilling his ambition to play at Wembley. "He says he has never had a torn muscle before, so perhaps his body will mend more quickly than average, so he is still hop-ing, even if it is only a 0.5 per cent chance," a team spokes-man said. There is no such prospect for Fredi Bobic, Xrays revealing a minor broken bone in his shoulder.

CAUTIONS: Babbel (2), Reuter, Hässler, Möller, Kuniz, Ziege, Bietholft, Sammer Klinsmann DISMISSAL: Strunz

FRANCE

Tiresome business, this racism, and it is not just the English tabloids that are guilty of such sordid behaviour. In France, Jean-Marie Le Pen has attacked his country's footballers for not singing Le Marseillaise, the national enthem. According in the leader of Le Front Nacionale, the team is full of foreigners who do not know the words.

"Do I have to sing to prove my patriotism?" asked

"Do I have to sing to prove my patriotism?" esked Marcel Desailly, the France defender. "Wearing the shirt of my country is enough. Even responding to this odicus man is giving him publicity he doesn't deserve."

Elsewhere, there was good news for Frank Leboeuf, who yesterday completed a £2.5 million transfer to Chelsee. He signed a four-year contract after talks in Wigan with Stamford Bridge officials. "I am very happy because it has been my ambition to play in England for some time," he said." I am very excited that Raud Guillt wants to slort me

said. "I am very excited that Rund Guilit wants to sign me, and that I will be playing with Visili."

There was better news too for Christophe Dugany, the forward who will miss the rest of the tournament because of a knee injury. The first prognosia suggested a sk-month absence, and a collapse of his move to AC Miler. Yesterday, however, Dugarry learnt that he will be laid up only for three weeks, "I cried for two hours after the injury, but it is not so much of a problem. Milan have telephoned me to assure me that the transfer will still be

CAUTIONS: Karembeu (2), di Meco, Bienc, Djorksell, Desailly, Dugarry, Deschamps



CZECH REPUBLIC

Dusan Uhrin faced curious media representatives from around the world. Who was this man who had guided the unlancied Czech Republic to the semi-finals? They were untancied Czech Republic to the semi-finals? They were intent on finding the personality behind the stony-faced tacade, and indeed they did make Uhrin smile, but who could blame him? "What Is your favourite colour?" shouted one reporter. "White," replied Uhrin. Pressing frome the advantage, "What do you think about yellow?" came the retort. A lesser man might have stormed out but Uhrin good-naturedly revealed that he dreamt of yellow. Then the reporters made a mistake. They asked him about it is view of Sunday's referee. The blank stare returned. Uhrin does not take his football lightly.
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There was a general air of surprise at the Czech camp yesterday. The scatfolding which holds in place the sponsors' logo was hurriedly re-erected when the official press conference should have been under way and no one in charge appeared to know whather it would be a good in the page and in the second in the idea for the players to mingle with the press. In the end a taw just appeared out of nowhere. The joker of the squad is Pavel Hapal, who broke his leg just before the team set off for the tournament but was invited along arryway. One trick he has is to lend players his crutches so that they can look onlookers in the hotel that there is an injury crisis.

CAUTIONS: Kuka (2), Bejol (2), Suchopersk (2), Nedved (2), Kadlec (2), Drulek, Nemec, Smicer DISMISSAL: Latel

FINAL

REPORTS: Oliver Holt, Peter Ball, Alyson Rudd and David Maddock

SEMI-FINAL

France v Czech Republic

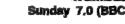
Tomorrow (Old Trafford, 4.0)

WEMBLEY



HOW THE QUARTER-FINALS FINISHED

Sunday 7.0 (BBC1 AND ITV)



England C Spain C (aet, England win 4-2 on penalties) (Wembley, att 75,440)

Germany 2 Croatia 1 Klinsmann (21 pen) Sammer (58) Suker (51) (Old Trafford, att 43,412)

France 0 Holland 0 (aet; France win 5-4 on penalties) (Anlield, att 37,465)

Portugal 0 Czech Republic 1 Poborski (53)

(Villa Park, att 26,832)



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England 4 Holland 1 Shearer (23 pen, 57) Sheringham (51, 62) Kluvert (78) (Wembley, attendance 78,798)

GROUP B

Spain 1 Bulgaria 1 Altonso (73) Stoichkov (65 pen) (Elland Road, attendance 26,006) Romania 0 France 1 Dugany (24) (St James' Park, attendance 26,323)

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GROUP C

Germany 2 Czech Republic 0 Ziege (25) Möller (31) (Old Trafford, attendance 37,300) Italy 2 Russia 1 asiraghi (5, 52) Tsymbalar (20) (Anfield, attendance 35,120) Czech Republic 2 Italy 1 Nedved (4) Bejbi (35) Chlesa (18) (Anfield, attendance 37,320)

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B Laudrup (21) Sa Pinto (52) (Hillsborough, attendance 34,993) Turkey 0 Croatia 1 Vlaovic (85) (City Ground, attendance 22,460)

Portugal 1 Turkey 0 Couto (66) (City Ground, attendance 22,670) Croatia 3 Denmark 0 Suker (53 pen, 90) Boban (81) (Hil/sborough, attendance 33,671) Croatia 0 Portugal 3 Figo (4) João Pinto (33) Domingos (83) (City Ground, attendance 20,484)

Turkey 0 Denmark 3 B Laudrup (50, 84) Nielsen (70) (Hillsborough, attendance 28.951)

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1984 1988 USSR

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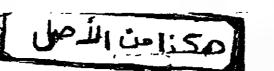
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Lofty ideal tainted by colour concerns

WHAT do the lords of Euro 96 do when the ball stops rolling for a couple of days between the high intensity of the quarter-finals and the semi-finals? One pictures them, perhaps,

S TUESDAY JUNES

counting their money and their blessings after more than a million people have passed. peacefully so far, through the eight stadiums. Then, possibly, Uefa Ithe European governing bodyl was tackling serious issues: the hyperventilating media on ques-tions of race and colour, the schism between referees and players that will reduce tomorrow's semi-final squads by six players suspended (more than the injured) and reduce the prospect of cavalier play because no fewer than 20 others are on one yellow card and will play in fear of getting another which would rule them out of the final.

No and no again. Yesterday evening in central London, the English and German football hierarchies, together with Uefa's leading officials, made their priority the draw to decide which of the two nations would wear their white shirts when they meet at Wembley Stadium tomorrow.

Germany drew the right ball from the sack, just as they did in 1966. But England surrendered to commercialism their right to play in a similar red shirt to the trium-



entant one of 30 years a acquiescing to Umbro, the manufacturers, who are paying them enough to insist that England perform in that

It is either colour blindness or money that rules football these days. But, more seriously, since we trust that it is the men inside the shirts rather than any magical quality of the cloth that counts, colour was raised in a most unfortunate fashion yesterday.

A week ago. Hristo Stoichkov, the Bulgarian with the marvellous touch and vision, should have been called to account by Uefa after admitting that he had racially taunted the France defender. Marcel Desailly. Everybody does it, the foul-mouthed Bulgarian claimed. He was by then out of the tournament. but the officials still had a duty to deal with his racism retrospectively.

Now they have unother problem, the intrusion of Jean-Marie Le Pen, who has chosen this moment to accuse the football establishment of choosing a team that was "artificial, to bring in players from abroad and then baptise them in the French team.". The right-wing politician added that "the majority do not sing the Marseillaise or appear to know it".

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Desailly is of Ghanaian descent, the goalkeeper, Bernard Lama, comes from Guyana, and the midfield player.

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FIRST WOMEN'S TEST MATCH (second day or four) Scarborough, England v New Zerley

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Football Correspondent

Christian Karembeu, from New Caledonia. What marvelious athletes they are, and where would the France team that could yet win this tournament, this glory for Le Pen's country, be without them? Karembeu, never one to fack a riposte, countered: "I

will do my talking on the

Not tomorrow against the Czech Republic, for Karembeu is one of those six suspended individuals; in his case, for lacking the ability to count to ten, or at least to retreat that many yards back from free kicks. Both his yellow cards came in that fashion, but the really worrying aspect is that only some of the referees are hot on that particular misdemeanour. Meanwhile, Leif Sundell, from Sweden, appeared to stand by and do nothing when Croatia brawled with Germany on Sunday, indeed when Slaven

Ziege while the German was on the floor. Uefa should not be allowed to turn a blind eye to the thuggery involved, nor to its own culpapility in choosin referees inadequate for the

Bilic actually kicked Christian

Quite what came into Bilic's head, not even he would attempt to explain. Yet he is brainier than average, he spends his time in London, after training with West Ham United, studying for a law degree. As a future man of letters, I doubt Bilic expects to have heard the last of this, and with rabid tabloid journalism on the loose, plus unwanted extremists like Le Pen. football must guard its reputation. Bilic and Stoichkov ought to

be disciplined by Uefa. And then, can we get back to the playing field? Some countries can. There are four left in the competition, but the poor Czech Republic, with four players suspended, hardly stand an even chance against France. When England meet Germany, apart from the injuries that cast Klinsmann. Bobic, Kohler and Basler out of the German side, no less than eight of those fit to play do so with half a mind on their yellow-card situation. This. one strongly suspects, is a reason, not an excuse, why the quarter-finals were so dire.

The tournament is being brought to its knees by the gulf imposed between those who play and those who referee. The lack of thought or prior consultation seems to have brought about the very opposite of Uefa's espoused commitment to fair play.



Sammer celebrates after his foray forward produces another important goal for Germany in their progress to the semi-finals

Sammer leading the battle on two fronts

GERMANY have lost their captain and talisman, but England should beware. In Matthias Sammer, the sweeper, Germany have someone who will pick up the baton with relish indeed, if Jürgen Klinsmann was the ideal spokesman, on the field Sammer is possibly even more important not just as the orchestrator, but as a scorer of vital goals, too.

On Sunday in that sour quarterfinal, when Klinsmann limbed away and Croatia came more and more into the game, Sammer took control. Always looking to go forward, this time he moved into midfield to stifle their onslaughts at birth as well as proving, once again, the key attacking force. "We wanted to apply more pressure on the early stages of their ttacks," he explained, "and as the libero, the spare man, I didn't have a direct opponent, so I thought I could go forward to do that and do something for our attacking game. . So, sporadically, I tried in forward and push the action back into our opponents' haif."

He did so to some effect. He not only scored the winning goal, but was instrumental in the penalty which brought Germany's first goal, earning a deserved accolade from his coach. "It was only thanks to Matthias scored," Bertie Vogts said. "He has

Peter Ball has a warning for England as they prepare for Germany and the new Beckenbauer

the personality and character to play in midfield. I never thought we would cope with the loss of Klinsmann and Bobic, and the mistakes we were making, but Sammer was the decisive

Not for the first time. It is no coincidence that in his one poor match, against Italy, the whole team struggled as a result, and afterwards, key goal in ending Russia's limited Sammer's perfor-

mance was put under the microscope by the critical German press. "Sammer made mistakes, but he's buman _ — _isn't he allowed the occasional mistake?"

and he was known as Der Kaiser." The comparison was intended. Sammer has been described as the best German sweeper since Beckenbauer - and better defensively. Like Beckenbauer, he began as a midfield player, and although in this tournament he has been an important

frequency, and more purpose, than any German sweeper since Der

His goal on Sunday was not his first crucial intervention in the opposing penalty area in this competition. If Klinsmann celebrated his return to the side after missing the first group match with two goals, the first and resistance came from Sammer.

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determination,

'He has class no England man can match'

apparent as his talent. The first East play for the united German side, he has needed a stroni character to make the transition. The son of an international midfield player, he began with his home-town team, Dinamo Dresden, and although not a communist, he owed enough loyalty to admit that, initially, he found some difficulty with the anthem of the new Germany.

entirely composed of westerners, are behind him, but the strength of character is still visible, and so is his belief, matching Klinsmann's, in the team ethic. "It is flattering to be man of the match," he said, "but what matters is the team progress. If you make a contribution to the higher objective. It is alce to be recognised but what irony if you got man of the match and the team lost."

You cannot ignore his determination. There were two classic examples against Russia. During Russia's impressive first half, the supremely gifted Mostovoi threw one dummy which left Sammer on his back and created the opening for a shot. In the second it took Mostovoi to take aim and draw back his foot, however, a white shirt threw himself into its path to block the shot. It was Sammer.

Such determination was also seen when he scored the goal which set Germany on their way to victory. Kharine, the Russia goalkeeper, should have saved his first shot; instead he fumbled it. Kovtun and Kharine should have got the rebound; instead Sammer got there first, in spite of having much further to travel.

Adams and Pearce will not have the monopoly on the will to win while

Sammer is on the field — but Sammer Sammer and his thrustfulness that we Those problems, and the difficulty has the class that no England defendfigure for Germany defensively, he of integrating into a team almost has also got forward with more er can maich.

By Alyson Rudd

THE Czech Republic are, to the surprise of all, one game away from the European championship final. During the euphoria after their defeat of Portugal on Sunday, Karel Poborski, scorer of the stunning winning goal, was asked whom he would like to face at Wembley. He was polite enough to plump for England. but it was clear from his expression that the very idea that the Czechs could make it that far was almost over-

whelming.
Dusan Uhrin, the coach. insists that he fulfilled his ambinions by qualifying for the tournament in the first place. However, he did add: "I believed, if my team played as in their qualifying matches, we could proceed."

One reason for general amazement that the Czechs have reached the semi-final

stage was their disappointing performance in their opening Group C match against Germany. Jan Suchoparek, the central defender who will miss the game against France through suspension, said of the 2-0 defeat by Germany: "It was a tactical trick to confuse our enemies." He had a twinkle in his eye but, so unfamil-iar are the Czechs, that no one

was quite sure he was loking. Not taking the competition too seriously appears to have been the making of this team. After their victory over Italy. they stayed up all night. After their quarter-final success, however, they partied only until 2am. It appears the enormity of the achievement is beginning to hit home.

The Czechs also have to cope with the fact that four of their first-choice players are sus-pended for the semi-final tomorrow. Uhrin refused to condemn the referee's performance at Villa Park but conceded that the enforced changes will have an impact.

It is not affecting team spirit, however. "I'm sad but I'm glad for the team." Suchoparek said of missing the match. "I don't know if you can see it in my face, but I'm not too sad."



Poborski: stunning goal

Will the European championship be won once again by the underdogs? If it is, it will be a victory for Ceska Ulicka or "Czech Alley", the nickname for the style of play. A simple, devastating pass from a midfield player, cut through the defence to the feet of a striker who then scored - that is Ceska Ulicka and so far it has outfoxed sides that ought

to know better. Whether or not the Czech Alley wins converts, Czech progress has not been what Uefa wanted. At least, that is the opinion of Frantisek Chvalovsky, president of the Czech Republic Football Asso-ciation. "We think the organisers are not happy with the advance of the Czechs as the Czechs are a negative attraction." he said.

Chvalovsky has a rather cynical view of Uefa politics, but he knows the Czechs do not guarantee a sell-out. A

Soaring Czechs enjoy tale of the unexpected further 2,000 supporters are expected to attend the semifinal. The numbers are modest due to high ticket prices. There is anger among supporters that they are being charged about £75 per seat by the

agency in Prague. The last time the Czechs played France was in Bordeaux two years ago. The Republic took a two-goal lead and then conceded two goals in the dying minutes of the match. "We were the better team," Uhrin said, adding "We were the better that he thinks France have improved enormously.

He refused, as he always does, to highlight any individual player from the France side or discuss their tactics. So far, by keeping his own counsel. Uhrin has outwitted some of the best sides Europe apparently has to offer. There was no chance he was about to interest had trebled overnight.

Petulance spoils Croatia's first impression

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

CROATIA prepared for their departure from Euro 96 with a shopping trip into Manchester yesterday. Presents pur-chased, they then boarded the plane for Zagreb and bade farewell to the championship. It was their first involvement in the finals of a leading tournament and they had enjoyed it. Connoisseurs of fine football appreciated their

presence, too. Yet what had happened 24 hours earlier, in the helterskelter, foul-scarred spectacle of their quarter-final against Germany at Old Trafford, which they lost 2-1, left a sour taste. Croatia's players can play a bit, some of their skills are sublime, but when their smooth pursuit of victory was repulsed by opponents whose defensive expertise is legendary, they found it difficult to

when the handling of such a freneric tie borders on the inept, as did the display of Leif Sundell, the Swedish referee, then near-anarchy will ensue It did. Igor Stimac was sent of for the wildest of challenges. and how none of his equally temperamental colleagues were not also punished, at least with a yellow card, will

remain a mystery.

That the Germans were similarly, if not so blatantly, culpable is not in dispute. Yet had Croatia concentrated on beating them, instead of allowing their confidence to degenerate into frustration and petulance, they might be handing semi-final tickets to their supporters instead of presents to their families back

"Everyone is disappointed," Miaden Petreski, the Croatia team spokesman, said vesterday. "We always felt we were the better side, that we were going to win. It was a silly foul by Stimac, and perhaps some of our tackling was harder than usual, but a lot of decisions went against us."

Can England defeat Germany at Wembley tomorrow? "Of course," Petreski said. "The Germans work hard but do not have the great individual qualities that they used to have." He then added. with a chuckle: "They are definitely beatable and I think we may have prepared them

for you." Slaven Bilic, the West Ham United defender, was less diplomatic. "I will be cheering on England because the Ger mans have had so much luck to get where they are. They were lucky against us, the Italians, the Russians and in almost every game. Everyone thinks they have such superior physique but they are weak. We were stronger than them with ten men."

Croatia, though still a fledgeling nation in many aspects, can now claim the right to pronounce on their European rivals, if not so scurrilously. They arrived in England an already respected yet relatively unproven force and have left, temporarily excusing their antics at Old Trafford, with many admirers. Davor Suker's chip over Peter Schmeichel in the 3-0 win against Denmark will long be cherished.

Many of the players have sad tales to tell from when the former Yugoslavia tore itself apart. Suker's parents had to spend a year underground to escape the bombing: Mario Stanic was held a prisoner of war for ten days; Goran Vlaovic lost his grandfather, four other relatives and several friends in the carnage. Yet their memories from Euro 96, mostly, are good ones.

Italian to blow final whistle

By Russell Kempson

PIERLUIGI PAIRETTO, of Italy, will referee the final of Euro % at Wembley on Sunday. His appointment yesterday ended the hopes of Leslie Mottram, of Scotland, and Sandor Puhl, of Hungary, who were also being considered for the championship

decider. Instead, Mottram will take charge of the semi-final between France and the Czech Republic at Old Trafford tomorrow afternoon, and Puhl will officiate at Wembley when England play Germany to-

morrow evening. The decision was made by the referees committee of Uefa, the sport's governing body in Europe. Puhl. who refereed the World Cup final between Brazil and Italy in the United States two years ago. had been regarded as favour-

ite of the three candidates. It did not take long to decide because the committee had already done much preparation." Frits Ahlstrom, Uefa's media director, explained. The difference between the best referees is always very

Pairetto, 43, a veterinary surgeon who was born in Turin, took up refereeing in 1967 and progressed on to the list of Fifa, the sport's world governing body, eight years ago. He referred in the previous European championship finals in Sweden in 1902, and also in the World Cup finals in

He speaks English and French, includes skiing and motorcycling among his hobbies, and took charge of the England-Scotland match in Group A ten days ago, in which he booked five players. Sunday will be his third appearance at Wembley in a year - he controlled England's 3-1 defeat by Brazil in the Umbro Cup last June.

Uefa has no plans to review the refereeing standards of Euro 96, despite renewed controversy caused by some erratic displays during the quarter-finals at the weekend, until after the tournament has finished. Matters arising from the disciplinary tally - 139 cautions, and seven dismiss-als, from 28 matches so far -will be examined at a meeting next month, at which the appointments for the qualifying rounds of the European club competitions next season will also be made.

☐ Frank Leboeuf, the Strasbourg defender, has signed for Chelsea in a club record £25 million deal. "I am very happy," Leboeuf. 28 and a member of the France Euro 96 squad, said. "When I knew Roud Gullit Ithe manager wanted me at Chelsea. I could not wait to sign." Gullit signed Gianluca Vialli, the former Juventus forward, last week.

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SCHOOLS MATCH Lord's (11 0 one OTHER SPORT TENNIS: All England championships (a) TENNIS: AS THE THIRD SEED FALLS TO FLACH, WIMBLEDON PROVES ITS ENDURING APPEAL -- ON COURT AND IN THE KITCHEN

Pierce puts French dressing to one side

SO I will bring the important part of the story into the first paragraph and tell you straightaway what sort of dress Mary Pierce wore. It was not one of the little sexy dresses she has been affecting observe the mot juste — in recent weeks.

At Paris she wore That Dress, a black sort of cocktail dress. Every time she leant forward to receive serve, revealing a few more square inches of absolutely genuine Pierce bosom, a thousand shutters opened and closed in admiration.

But she chose to make her entrance to Wimbledon in a far more demure fashion. The dress was certainly a dress, no functional sporty skirt-and-top for Mary, and it was (obviously) white. It had been fairly violently tailored to her shape, and left no one in any doubt whatsoever that she possesses such things as bust, waist and hips, all of acceptable shape and proportion.



The collar was blue. In fact, she looked not so much like a glamour queen as a rather strict staff nurse. "Nurse. nurse, I'm feeling worse," said one of her entourage, rather lubriciously, I thought. I found myself sitting among the Pierce camp, you see.
In fact, she looked as if she

had been chosen as a poster girl to advertise the delights of Bupa; pay enough money and you, too, can be looked after by a prim-uniformed dominatrix. But it was not a dress designed to steal scenes, so for a while it looked depressingly likely that we would have to concentrate on her tennis.

Pierce was drawn against a 17-year-old Swiss with a chubby face and an eager expression, a player palpably out of her depth and with no great expectations of advancing beyond this match. This was Patty Schnyder, in only her second grand-slam event, and she did not win a match in the

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At Wimbledon

first one either. A simple workout, then, for any player with pretensions to the champ-

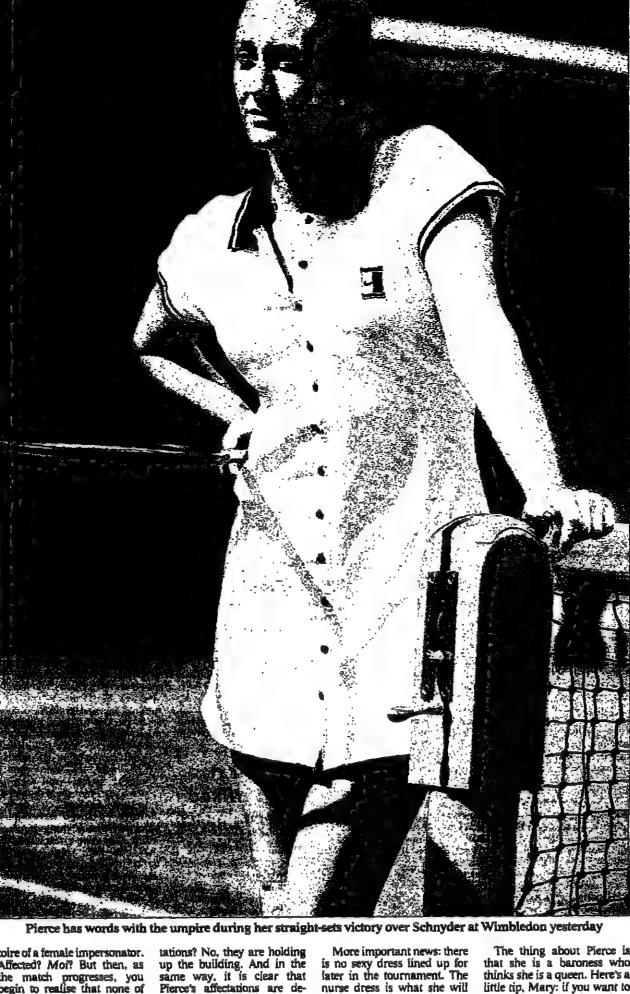
So Pierce lost the first two games, as Schnyder employed the devilish tactic of putting the ball in play as often as possible. Pierce won all right. taking the match 6-3, 6-2. She was 40 up in the second set before throwing in a few more Meanwhile, her new coach.

Joe Giuliano, was sitting beside me, writhing about all over the place. He acted like a man who had drunk half a dozen pints before the match and was seriously regretting it. He also kept eating his nails and shouting "way to work" and "attagiri". If he was my coach, I would certainly feel inspired to give up tennis forever, and I mean right now, but no doubt he knows what he is doing.

Meanwhile, as the game

progressed. Pierce ran through various of her known and loved tricks. She clearly has ambitions of beating the Ivan Lendi all-Wimbledon record for the number of times the ball is bounced between serves. She is already way ahead of all contenders for the record of self-administered game

She is also in pole position in the chamoionship this year for assuming the double-teapot position: both hands on hips in frank disbelief that any line judge, any umpire could so such a thing, to such a person as she, at such a time as this. Her every gesture is so intensely feminine it seems to be borrowed from the reper-



toire of a female impersonator. Affected? Moi? But then, as the match progresses, you begin to realise that none of these tricks are affectations at all. They are all essential. Look at a Gothic catherdral: are all those fancy flying buttresses architectural affec-

signed to hold up the cathedral of her personality, a cathedral that is over-ornate and in perpetual danger of

wear for all her tennis until the US Open in the autumn. "It's very appropriate for this tournament," she said. "Classical. Very simple."

The thing about Pierce is that she is a baroness who thinks she is a queen. Here's a little tip, Mary: if you want to look like a queen, don't chew gum. And if you must chew gum, don't stick out your tongue. Real queens don't have purple tongues.

Agassi breezes in and is blown away

Andrew Longmore sees a former men's champion humbled in the first round

young American with a white baseball cap and floppy shorts played the match of his life on No 2 Court yesterday. Unfortunately for the crowd and, it must be said, for the lustre of these championships. It was not Andre Agassi. Doug Flach, who had come from two sets down to qualify for only his second Wimbledon and fourth grand-slam event, exposed Agassi to an uncon-fortable truth in the sunshine

of "The Graveyard". No amount of talent can compensate for the more gritty virtues of hard work and preparation. Sometimes a wing and a

prayer is just not enough.

Agassi arrived at Wimbledon woefully short of match
practice after playing just four matches in three months and he was on his way back home, the victim of the player ranked No 281 in the world, by evensong on the first day. Flach won 2-6, 7-6, 6-4, 7-6 in just over two hours, a victory which owed as much to his own strength of nerve as to leassi's evident rustiness.

Given that this was only Flach's second victory in a grand-slam event and that his ast appearance in England was last February in a satellite tournament at Eastbourne, this was a highly improbable overturning of odds.

Before yesterday, Flach's ole claim to fame stemmed from his surname. His brother, Ken, was twice Wimbledon doubles champion with Robert Seguso and feistiness clearly runs in the family. If Agassi felt his mere presence would reduce Flach to a gibbering wreck, he was very quickly disappointed. Flach has not spent most of his year touring the provincial the-atres of tennis just to blow his lines on the big stage.

Agassi is badly in need of a

prompt. After losing in the French Open to Chris Woodruff in the second round, this was the first time that the former Wimbledon champion had been beaten in the first round since 1987 when he lost to Henri Leconte

unloved. A few squeals accompanied his arrival on court and a diminutive old lady nearly swooned at his feet as he passed by, but "Agassimania" it assuredly was not. The tumultuous welcomes of four or five years ago seemed as distant as Agassi's form and attire.

in those heady days his top was designed to show off his

hairy torso to the best advantage, yesterday his longsleeved, long-waisted, zipp ly styled to disguise tennis's most photographed midriff. Reports from Paris at the end of May suggested that Agassi had plenty to hide.

His footwork was a step slower than usual, which put him on a par with most other. players: his hands were as a quick on the draw as ever. Agassi can adapt his timing to different surfaces with astonishing speed, but his mind and competitive instinct require a little more sharpeni The last thing Agassi need

ed was a hungry young tyro ready to scrap for every last piece of turf. Flach had played almost as many matches in qualifying as Agassi has since March. Agassi badly needed a quick start to raise his own confidence and subdue any premature notions of glory Flach might harbour.

All went well for a. crisply and Flach wore the haunted look of a man in need of a good meal. Agassi broke service in the first game of the match and waltzed merrily on his way against an opponent determined to match him for speed of shot rather than subtlety of placement. Though Agassi's first service was working only fitfully, he broke twice to take the opening set in half an hour. The crowd sat back to enjoy the

I hen Flach woke up and realised that brain could equal brawn. Instead of trying to hit the cover off every ball, he began to slow the pace down, give Agassi nothing to hit. The tactic worked to perfection. Gone was the whizzbang certainty of the opening set and in its place a nervous kitten of

Agassi's service fell to pieces, his groundstrokes flewk to all corners, points were thrown to the wind with

he did not know he had, took the tie-break with case and when the third set went the qualifier's way too, Agassi's young fan club reached crescendos of anguish. Flach even monopolised the showmanship, once winning a point when flat on his back at the net, and by the decisive tiebreak he sensed rightly that this was to be his day.

Lobster eaten, net-cord judges beaten

you know, when vou pack it in" — I used to tell them that I fancied becoming a tennis net-cord judge. For this high office you require neither sight nor hearing; just sufficient feeling in one digit to notice a tremor. Then do you shout "let". It is all an elderly chap wants, a central position and the opportunity to be heard every now and again.

What was a serious blow, this Wimbledon, is that my chosen calling is no more. Like the dodo, net-cord judges are extinct. High tech has taken over. A magic eye, laser beam, aluminium chip - I know not what, but, in some dank, dark basement where no mention of the men shall be heard, they sit considering a Luddite rising. It will not come. The sun shone on the open-

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ing day of Wimbledon 1996 yesterday, as neatly organised a military operation as one could encounter. Queue here for strawberries, there for Pimm's; the new No I Court which looks like a Roman arena will, in God's good time - probably next year - seat 11,000 people; son et lumière tells how it will be and there are architects' plans and a full compliment of television screens showing graphs and statistics. Sampras is on Centre Court:

Becker on No I. A queue of groupies sit outside a door from which, rumour has it, Agassi will appear when the match on No 3 Court ends. I lunch in the Wingfield

restaurant: lobster, almost certainly killed in accordance RSPCA recommendations. Then black and white chocolate mousse, which I eat

NOW!

looking at the purple and green theme of the All England Club, compared to which the MCC is dangerously liberal.

Look where you will at Wimbledon and something is going on. The smell of hotdogs, which are called Dutchees, permeates the air: there is the opportunity to buy sweets, described as bonbons. An announcement asking

people interested in questioning Mr Radulescu to go to the interview suite comes over the public address system. I buy an ice cream. Three naval cadets wearing hats respec-tively inscribed HMS this, that and the other go briskly about their business. On No 14 Court, they are cheering Jeremy Bates. I ask a

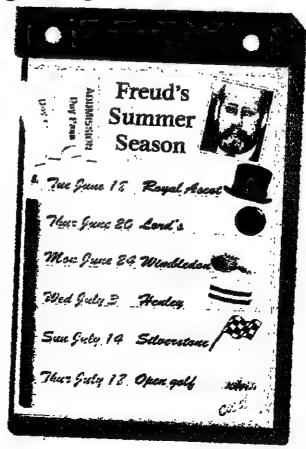
girl to tell me why. Well, she says, he has lost 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, so he was getting better all the time and "he gave us a lovely wave as he left the court". Five girls each carrying a card bearing a letter to complete the word "Bates" trail off, their duty done.

On the adjacent court, two Amazons are playing long rallies. The marker board identifies them as Miss Makarova and Miss Studenikova: I ask a security man which is which. He asks me whether it matters. He says: "Have you seen

Sampras?" I tell him that I saw him last year, and that Becker is going to win Wimbledon; the man who works for Radio Ward, a hospitals broadcasting service, who looks as if he knows what it is about, told me.

A cushion shop sells its wares at £5; not only do you get a soft seat but a couple of inches of extra elevation. At the back of Centre Court is a notice stating "some seats are behind pillars and these are reduced in price".

In the press room, which is long and thin and has winoverlooking many



courts, an engineer is repair-ing the Coca-Cola dispenser. Nothing serious, At the desk in front of me, a Japanese journalist chokes on a salt and vinegar crisp; nothing serious there, either.

Chang loses, In his recorded television interview, a hack asks: "Where did it go wrong?" Chang is a deeply religious man; he tells the journalist more politely than I would

have done. Time for tea. On my way to the strawberry room. I pass a door marked International Commentary Position and assume one: bend forward, hands cupped to my mouth, left foot raised. A naval cadet wearing an HMS Nelson hat asks whether I am

feeling all right. During tea, possibly because I was wearing my MCC tie, a man comes to inquire what is happening at Lord's. I tell him that I now think we are not going to lose. He asks: "Who is we?" Back to the action.

They do not dress very well at Wimbledon, except for those spectators in the Royal Box and the members of the All England Club. These men wear nicely-pressed trousers. handsome blazers, purple and green ties and are of an age, of a size, all with heads of hair: the sort of people who, when I was an MP, steadily displayed posters bearing the name of opponent in

RESULTS FROM THE ALL ENGLANDS

Men's singles Winner: £392,500

Runner-up: 192,250

Holder: P Sampres (US) First round P SAMPRAS (US) bit R A Reneberg (US) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 C Wikinson (GB) bt A Janyd (Swe) 6-1, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2

G IVANISEVIC (Cro) bt D Namilin (SA) 6-2, 6-0, 6-2 M Tillstrom (Swe) bt M Göliner (Ger) 7-8, 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 12-10

J Novak (Cz) bt J Fonzenbrink (Ger) 7-6, 6-2, 6-4 M Naverta (II) bt D Rild (Cz) 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2 A Costa (Sp) bt M CHANG (US) 3-6, 7-6, 7-8, 6-4

T A Woodbridge (Aus.) bt \$ Huet (Fr) 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 6-0 A Gaudenzi (II) bi M Joyce (US) 1-6, 6-2, 5-7, 6-1, 6-3

W FERREIRA (SA) bt D Prinosil (Ger) 7-6, 6-3, 6-3 R Furian (It) bt A Medvedev (Ukr) 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2

C Beecher (GB) bi N Gould (GB) 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 Johansson (Swe) bi J Ellingh (Holf) 4-6, 7-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 J Palmer (USI bi T Champion (Fr) 6-3, 6-

D Flach (US) bi A AGASSI (US) 2-6, 7-6,

J Stark (US) bt J COURIER (US) 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 M Knowles (Bah) bt J Golmerd (Fr) 8-3, 5-3, 8-1

N Pereira (Ven) bt M J Seles (GB) 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 F Dewult (Bel) bi V Spades (US) 3-8, 8-3, 7-5, 6-4 A Produmou (Ger) bt A BOETSCH (Fr) 8-3, 6-4, 6-7, 5-7, 9-7 S Pescosolido (ft) bt C Woodruff (US) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, 2-6, 8-6

D Wheaton (US) bt F Fetterlein (Den) 6-1, 6-4, 6-4 G Racur (Fr) bt Y El Ayriacui (Morocco) 6-3, 6-1, 6-3 G Statlard (SA) bt S Noszety (Hun) 7-5, 6-1, 6-2

N Godwin (SA) bt C Caratti (II) 6-2, 7-6, B SECKER (Ger) bi J P Fleurien (Fr) 6-0, 6-2, 6-3

Women's singles

Winner: £353,000 Runner-up: 176,500 Holder: S Graf (Ger)

M MALEEVA (Bul) or B Filtner (Ger) 6-2. N Tauziet (Fr) bit P Kematra (Holf) 6-2, 3-6, 6-1 C MARTINEZ (Sp) by S Faring (h) 6-0, 6-0

L M Raymond (US) bt A Montolio (Sp) 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 L M McNeil (US) bt L Goleres (#) 6-7, 6-4, 6-4

A-G Sidot (Fr) bt C Cristes (Florit) 6-4, 6-K DATE (Japan) bt K Negatauks (Japan) 6-0, 6-3 M PIERCE (Fr) bt P Schryder (Switz) 6-

K Po (US) bt A Cocheteux (Pr) 6-4, 6-3

C Taylor (GB) bt J Ward (GB) 6-3, 6-G Fernandez (US) bt T Jecmenice (Yug) 2-6, 6-3, 8-4

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A Olisza (Poll) bit M Grzybowska (Pol) 6-4, 6-4 S Appelmans (Bal) bt N Miyegi (Japan) 6-3, 6-4 F Perietti (it) bi M Sénchez-Lorenzo (Sp) 4-6, 6-2, 11-9

N Savamatsu (Japan) bi N K Kijimuta (Japan) 7-5, 6-2 A J COETZER (SA) bi E Wagner (Gar) 6-

M J McGrath (US) bt M Endo (Japan) 8-2, 7-5 N Feber (Bell) bit A Decheume-Sallers (Fr) 6-1, 6-1

A Meller (US) bt P Suarez (Arg) 6-2, 6-2 Y Kamio (Japan) bt N Dechy (Fr) 6-2, 6-3 D van Roost (Sel) bt M Drake (Can) 6-3.

K Studentkova (Stovakia) bit E Makarova (Russ) 6-2, 6-4 M SELES (US) bt A Grossman (US) 8-1, 6-2

TODAY'S ORDER OF PLAY

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CENTRE COURT: S GRAF (Ger) v L
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No 1 COURT A Serra-Zanofti (II) v A SANCHEZ VICARIO (Spr. D Nestor (Carl) v G Rusedski (GB), V Martinek (Ge) v J NOVOTNA (Czi. T Kronemann (US) and D MacPherson (Aus) v P Cach (Aus) and S Stolie (Aus)

No 2 COURT: L Paes (India) v M R J Pet-choy (GB); J Kandarr (Ger) v M J FER-MANDEZ (US), J Semethy (Holl) v C PO-LINE (Fr) R Matheson (GB) and T Spinks (GB) v D Johnson (US) and F Montana

No 3 COURT: P Tramacchi (Aus) v D E Sapsiord (GB) N Zverova (Bolo) v F Lubean (ft), C Porwik (Ge) v C J Wood (GB), W Black (Zm) and J Frana (Ang) v P Pala (Cz) and P Venor (Cz). No.4 COURT: B SCHULTZ-McCARTHY (Hoff) v J hanger (SA), J Bjerkman (Swe) v L Milligan (GB), L Notlend (Ltd) v K S Rineldi Stunkal (US), D Adams (SA) and D Princial (Ger) v H J DAVIOS (Hoff) and C S.L. (Ch.)

No 5 COURT: A O'Brien (US) ENCYIST (Swo), P H Shrivar (US) Eliwood (Aus), M Woodforda (Aus)

Larsson (Swe); S Jeyaseelan (Can) and R Simpson (Can) v A J Coetzer (SA) and I Gamochetegur (Arg).

No 6 COURT: H Araz (Morocco) v N Kutil (Swo) M Werdel-Witmoyer (US) v M Paz (Ard), P Ratter (Aus) v D Vercek (CZ), S A Soddai (GB) and A M H Warmenghi (GB) v T Knzan (Slovenia) and C Papadaku (Gr) No 7 COURT: E Sanchez (Sp) v J Grabb (US): R P Stubbs (Aus) v L M Wild (US), D Rostagno (US) v J Van Herck (Bel), C Moranu (US) v N Medvedeva (Ulo)

No 8 COUNT: S Stolle (Aus.) v D Narraso (III. K Godridge (Aus.) v H Sukova (Cā); L Cournols (Bell v A Glass (Ger.), W Probst (Ger) and C Singer (Ger) v L Golarse (II) and K Radford (Aus).

No 9 COURT: F Cavet (Sp) v T Carboneti (Sp), M Tebbutt (Aus) v A Corretja (Sp); M de Swardt (SA) v P Hy-Boulais (Can); E Litchovtscva (Russ) v E S H Callens (Bet). No 10 COURT: R Boblova (Cz) v J Waransbe (US): T Kempers (Hoa) v J Sleven (NC), R Violint (GB) v M Miller (GB), J Lutrova (Russ) and T Tanasugam (Trail v M Lindsrom (Swe) and M Strondund (Swe)

No 11 COURT: B Ushrach (Cz) v C Costa (Sp.), A Fusai (Fr) v S Dopler (Austria); K Goossers (Bel) v B Black (Zim), V Ruano Pascual (Sp) v K Booger (Holl) No 12 COURT: M. Oremons, (Holl) v R. Grande (ti) G Pozzi (il) v J Cunha-Silva.

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No 14 COURT: A HUBER (Ger) v G Leon Garcia (Sp): S Dreper (Aus) v M ROSSET (Switz), J Néjedy (Cer) v M HINGIS (Switz): D di Lucia (US) and S Humphries (US) v L PIMEK (Bel) and B TALBOT (BA) No 15 COURT: S Cade (US) v S Testud (Fr). A Chesnolov (Russ) v J Hassel (Switz). A Cartsson (Swe) v K Kechwenut (Gar): L J Bale (SA) and S Noteboom (Holl) v L Manta (Switz) and A L Richardson (GB).

No 16 COURT: A Ohovsidy (Russ) v H. Draekmann (Ger): N Baudone (tr) v St Husarova (Slovekia), K Alami (Morocco) v K Kucera (Slovekia), N Bradike (Aus) v K-

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as Bates bows out quietly

TEN minutes past three. Note the time in your diary; it marked the end of an era. Jeremy Bates - or "Blaster" to his followers - waved to the crowd, looked a little hesistant and walked off court for the last time in his 14-year career. The man who for so long had suffered the slings and arrows of outrageous British expecrancy had finally called it a

Relegated to No I4 Court. Bates's fifteenth Wimbledon was all over in one hour and 43 minutes. Now that Tim Henman and Greg Rusedski have taken over as the great British hopes, the Bates challenge had no more than sentimental value. The crowd were still behind him, willing him to make one last stand. He had hoped to extend the farewell for a couple of matches at least, but Nicolas Pereira,



from Venezuela, had other ideas and sent Bates on his way, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.

'It didn't happen at all today." Bates said. "I suppose that's one of the liabilities of picking one specific tournament to finish at. ideally you'd like to play really well, win a few matches, get the crowd going. They tried to help me. but it didn't click."

Bates had known for a long time that his era was drawing to a close. Although fit enough to keep playing, being thrashed by the younger, bigger men was no longer worth the effort. "I'm very aware that ing getting out of my depth." harsaid. Pereira pointed that out more than ever. He seems to be the man with a wonderful future behind him. In 1988 he was the top-ranked junior in the world and won the junior titles at the French and

US Opens and at Wimbledon. but he has never quite made the grade in the senior ranks. Percira was still too much for Bates, who was not nervous as such, but could never relax. "It was difficult to walk off court, and I think I spent a lot of time throughout the match thinking about that moment - what would hap-

pen at the end," Bates said.

What did happen was a standing ovation. No matter that the match had been at best average and that Bates had never looked like winning, the man who had twice reached the fourth round at Wimbledon was still the crowd's hero. Looking back, that moment in 1992, when Bates had held match point against Guy Forget for a place in the quarter-finals, was the highlight of his career. I think that was the best ten days of my life," he said.

But the man with one singles title, a house in Surrey and a Porsche 911 with personalised number plates to his name has had a good life in tennis. His regrets are twofold: that he did not sign up with Ion Tiriac in 1985 and join up "with that sort of marketing area, and that he did not spend more money on a coach to travel with him. Some of the other British

players had their regrets, too, yesterday. Sum Smith thought she was heading for the next round against the No 15 seed, Irina Spiriea, until the erratic Romanian bounced back to win 3-6, b-1, 6-2. Claire Taylor and Colin Beecher did make the next round, but only by beating fellow Britons. Taylor out out Jo Ward 6-3, 6-2 and Beecher defeated Nick Gould

Chris Wilkinson owes Thomas Muster a huge favour. When Muster withdrew, Richard Krajicek was moved from his original position in the draw - facing Wilkinson and upgraded to No 17 seed. Into that slot came Anders Jarryd, a lucky loser from the qualifying competition. Wilkinson made the most of it, beating the 34-year-old Swede 6-1, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2

End of era | Lob that proved high point of Borg epic



Borg, left, and Gerulaitis, who took part in the thrilling semi-final encounter on Wimbledon's Centre Court in 1977. Photograph: Tommy Hindley

Andrew Longmore looks back at the duel between the ingredients of good five-times Wimbledon champion and Vitas Gerulaitis

conversation. It thrives on contrast, on changes of mood and tone, on tolerance, wit and colour. Watching two big servers exchanging aces is as dull as listening to two loud-mouthed bigots swapping opinions. Likewise, two baseliners can be as slow and predictable as old men passing the time on a park bench. All three matches BBC commentator, said. have chosen for this series have offered a variety of styles and personalities. They would

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make lively conversation. Bjorn Borg versus Vitas Gerulaitis in the semi-final of the centenary championships in 1977 was not such a contrast on court because Borg played far more aggressively on grass than he is given credit for and Gerulaitis was adventurous by nature.

No, the contrast was off the court. There could hardly have been two more different people than the brash Brooklyn boy, who had a genius for getting into trouble, and the caim Swede, whose genius extended no further than winning tennis matches. Yet, in one of the more unlikely liaisons on the circuit, the pair were practice partners and In their epic match on Centre Court 19 years ago, the tone was set from the first point, which saw both men AND hurtling round the court to retrieve lobs and volleys. "If MATCH that's an example of how they're going to play, we're in for a treat," Dan Maskell, the

You could have taken any one of the five sets and made a case for its inclusion as a classic. The match is remembered for its consistent quality rather than for one purple patch. Gerulaitis, then just 22, was drawn onto higher planes than he had known, harassing Borg at every turn and exhibiting extraordinary anticipation and touch at the net.

Just when the defending champion seemed to have one fire under control, another spark would fly from the American's racket. Neither had overwhelming services. both had imagination and could fashion shots from nothing, Borg more from the back, Gerulaitis at the net. Borg won the first set and the third, Gerulaitis, the second and fourth. By the fifth, the Swede's reservoirs of spirit were beginning to run dry.

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But just when both men should have been getting tired, the standard of tennis touched new heights as Gerulaitis finally broke to go ahead for the first time in the match at 3-2 with a backhand service return which left the champion staring at defeat.
The crowd rallied their man

for one last effort. They knew Borg-from the previous year



a great ladies' final

when, at the age of 20 years and 27 days, he had become the third youngest men's singles champion in Wimbledon history. Gerulaitis was more exotic, with his blond rock star locks and towering presence, and they were still unsure. The Centre Court crowd warmed to his brave resistance and his ebuilience, but they wanted Borg to win.

The sixth game of the set was decisive. Having broken, Gerulaitis desperately needed consolidate his lead by holding his service. Borg, he knew well, would be ready to pounce on any weakness. Yet, for perhaps the only time in match, Gerulaitis's courdeserted him. Twice he had chances to put away high returns, twice he placed rather than punched them, allowing the Swede to recover. At break point, Gerulaitis flung himself to intercept a forehand, ending the point sprawled on the turt, his p

tage gone. But if Borg thought that the blow would sap Gerulaitis's brittle morale, he had to make a quick adjustment. The American held his next two

service games comfortably and had Borg 0-30 in the

eleventh game. Rarely has the lob been used to such effect. First by Gerulaitis, who forced Borg to the baseline only to sweep away the retrieving groundstroke with a flourish, then by Borg, who disguised the lob as well as anyone. Finally, a backhand pass inches wide and a netted service return gave Borg a 6-5 lead. After three hours, the match stood

was swift. Perhaps Gerulaitis's concentration slipped for a moment because he netted a high forehand volley and flailed wildly at a Borg return which seemed to be going out. When Borg produced the perfect lob. inducing an air shot and a grunt of frustration from Gerulaitis, the champion had two match points. He needed only one. Having volleyed beautifully all evening, the American misjudged his angles on Borg's forehand return and sliced his volley into the trainlines. Borg was on his way to the second of his five championships with a 6-4, 3-6. 6-3, 3-6, 8-6 victory. He went on to beat Jimmy Connors in

IN BRIEF

Final place in Olympic team goes to Elliott

MALCOLM ELLIOTT was selected last night to fill the remaining place in Britain's five-man Olympic road-race cycling team, joining Chris Boardman, Max Sciandri, John Tanner and Brian Smith for the 140-mile event in Atlanta (Peter Bryan writes).

in the United States, is a former winner of the Milk Race and the Tour of Britain. His last Olympic appearance was in the 1980 track 4,000 metres team pursuit.

The Sheffield professional finished well down in the national open road race championship but Dave Smith, the road coach, said that Elliott had been racing in higher-standard events this year than other aspirants.

CRICKET: A world record sixth-wicket partnership of 132 between Barbara Daniels and Kathryn Leng helped England to reach 300 for seven at the close of play on the opening day of the first women's Test match against New Zealand at Scarborough yesterday.

Daniels compiled her maiden Test century before being brilliantly caught by Kirsty Flavell at point for 160. Leng. of Yorkshire, ended the day on 90 not out.

☐ BOWLS: Margaret Johnston, winner in 1985 and runner-up last year, won the British Isles women's singles championship for the second time when she beat Nina Shipperlee, of Wales, 25-18 at Learnington Spa yesterday. Johnston now holds the Irish British, Commonwealth Games and world titles. Jenny Davies and Betty Morgan, of Wales, won the pairs for the third year in succession, beating Valerie Boyce and Dorothy Barr, of Scotland, 21-18.

☐ BASKETBALL: Crystal Palace's four-year battle to regain their place in the Budweiser League ended yes terday with news of their promotion. Palace's joy was in stark contrast to the despair of Doncaster Panthers, who will go into liquidation on Thursday, with debts of £20,000.

□ RUGBY UNION: Keith Richardson, the England A coach, is to become the director of team affairs at the fourth-division Newbury.

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12.92sec; 2, M Crear 13 05, 3, E Switt
13.21, 1,500m; 1, P McMullen 2ms
13.86sec; 2, J Scrensen 3:43 88, 3, J Pytah
3:44.03, 1,500m; 1, R Jacobs 4mm 8:67
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2, O Appell 32:43 79, 3, J Nestor 3:2,46 77
Women: 100m hurdles: 1, G Devets
12:62sec; 2, L Tolbert-Goode 12:29, 3, C
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M Rorl 46:37; 3, V Herazo 48:12, Shot; 1, C
Price-Smith 19:09m; 2, R Pagel 18:65; 3, D
Umble 17:73 Long jump; 1, J Joynes
Kersee 7:04m, 2, S Wilsems 6:93; 3, M
Vetman 6:88,

BASEBALL

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LEAMINGTON SPA: Women's British Championship: Singles: Semi-finals: M Johnston (Ballymoney Ire) bt S Gourlay (Annbank, Scot) 25-12. N Shapperlee (Whitcharch, Wales) bt J Newman (Comedi, Eng) 2-20 Final: Johnston b Shipperlee 25-18 Paints Semi-finals. Scotland (V Boyce and D Barr Avr Fore Hith billetand I J Dowds and M Johnston, Ballymoney 24-14, Wales JJ Daves and B Morgan, Liandimdon Wells) bt England (M Beales and M Price, Bucks) 20-17 Final: Wales beal Scotland (J Thorison, M Wingh and J Natm. Durbtsine) bt Wales (E Brown, B Stanton and A Daurion, Barry Plasses) 19-13. England (J Morgan, S Ráche and (P Madde, V Wilson and N Faaton, Dungannon) 17-12 Final: England (D

Scotland 21-12 Fours: Semi-finals: Ireland (M Murphy, P Murphy, M Scholield and P Notan Blackrock) of Scotland (V Scotland, N McLelland, M Ferguson and I Brown, Durnines) 21-17, Wales (J Willis, E Thomas, W Morits and L Evens Port Talbor) bt

BOXING YOKOHAMA, Japan: World Bourig Asso-clation middleweight championship (12mds) William Joppy (US) bi Shiriji Tekehara (Japan, Holder) tiko 9th.

CRICKET CRICKETER CUP- Second round: Old Alleymans 175-8 Lancing Rovers 178-3: Old Wydeshamists 288-4 Old Mercharil Taylors 553 Heileybury Hermits 205-9 Felsled Robins 207-4: Old Cholmeterans 125-8 Uppingham Rovers 128-3: Braditeld Walfs 245-5 S Edward's Marrys 112. Repton Pilgims 283-6 Old Bioghtonians 175, Harrow Wanderers 245-8 Shrewsbury Salacers 200 Quadle Rovers 152 Charrerhouse Finars 156-7.

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(Fi) 0 WORLD CUP: African zone: First round, second leg. Libens 4 Gambia 0 (Liberia win 5-2 on egg. al Acora. Ghana) Caribbean zone. Third round, first leg: St. Kinshlevis 2 is Vincent/Grenadines 2 lat Busselene! Batbados 0 Jamaca 1 (al Bidgetown) Third round, second leg: Tinsdad and Tobago 8 Dorrencan Republic 0 (Tinsdad and Tobago win 12-1 on agg. al Port of Spanii

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POOLS FORECAST

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9 Malsea v Cranbourne
100 Jase v Frankston
11 Keiter v Frankston
12 Melbourne v Diamono 14 S Caust d v Fitzroy FOURTH DIVISION

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☐ Vince Wright Vince Wright gave seven aways out of eight last Saturday

BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: Rio de Jeneiro championship: Flamengo 4 Amenca 1, Volta Redonda 2 Americano 1: Ottata 5 hapenna 4, Bengu 0 Madurera 0, Botalogo 3 Fluminense 1

(Can) 75, 70, 78
TEMBY: Welsh Open strokeplay champ-lonship: Leading final scores: 276; M Blad-ev (Hayling) 66, 76, 67, 67, 278; K Nolen (Bray) 67, 72, 58, 70, 281; M Peet (Pvie and Konlig) 65, 75, 70, 71, 284; M Smith (Forest Hill) 72, 71, 74, 67, 286; J Donaldson (Mecclesfield) 72, 71, 71, 71, 71, James (Fladyor) 70, 71, 71, 73, 288; G Wolstenholme (Birstot and Cition) 70, 72, 71, 75

MODERN PENTATHLON

SIENA, Italy, Women's world modern pentathion: Individual: 1 J Subenok Dolgacheva (Belo) 5445pts, 2 D licts (Pol) 5359; 3, E Sourenova (Russ) 5351; 4, E Fellenup (Den) 5284; 5 h Rassner (Ger) 5209, 6, h Allenby (GB) 5207 Team: 1, Russia 15,356pts, 2 (Bormany 15,230, 3, Poland 15,135; 4, Belorussia 14,885; 5, Hungary 14,750

PORTLAND, Oregon: GI Joe's 200* 1, A Zanardi (III, Reynardi 98 laps, 1hr 50min 25 40) sec., 2, G de Fernan (Br. Reynard) at 9 137sec. 3, C Frinpaldi (Br. Lola), 4 A Uniser Jr (US, Penske) 5, P Johnstone (US, Reynard) 6, B Rahar (US, Reynard) at some lan.

MOTOR RACING

RIFLESHOOTING BISLEY: Team matches: 300, 600 and 900 yeards. 1, Brash Commonwealth RC 1,730;008 (B Barnett and J Underwood both 223 31); 2, London and Middless RA 1726 194 (D Lloyd 200 28); 300, 600, 800 and 1,000 yeards; 1, South London RC 1,518 180 (M Wootgor 194 26); 2, Notth London RC 1,480 143 (D Davies 192 23); 1,000, 1,100 and 1,000 yeards (match tifle); 1 North London RC 1,621 118 (W Sharman 279 26); 2, London and Middlessar 1,604,111 (T Hantson 282,25); 3, South Saxons 1,601 114 (L Birster 281 22)

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SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

A new book, Step by Step: Planning the Defence, by Raymond Brock, recommends that the defender follow these steps: (1) Gather the evidence: (2) Make a plan: (3) Implement the plan. The hand below illustrates the thinking. Keen readers will look only at the North and East hands.

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Contract: 3 NT by South Lead: four of hearts

Partner leads the four of hearts to dummy's ten, your queen and declarer's king. Declarer now leads a low club which your partner takes with the ace and switches to the three of spades. You win with the ace. Do you play back hearts or spades? This is Brock's analysis:

Gather the evidence. Declarer is threatening to make a large number of tricks. You can see six diamond tricks, at least one club and at least one heart. It is quite likely declarer has more tricks in clubs and that you need to take four tricks immediately. Partner also knows that. His three of spades is an 'attitude' lead. Make a plan. You should return partner's second suit.

Had he held, for example, S.843, and wanted you to play hearts he would have returned a high spade. His three of spades tells you that you cannot beat the contract in hearts, but might be able to in Implement the plan. Play

back the six of spades.

The book is published by B. T. Batsford at £8.99, available from IPBM Mail Order, tel: 01159 422615. It has chapters on opening leads, partnership co-operation (from which today's example comes), counting, communications, trump play, and endplays. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

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b. A pink Alpine flower c. A Muse MANDAEANS

a. Milk teeth b. Frequent baptisers c. Inhabitants of Manila SAGITTARY a. A centaur b. An arsenal for arrows

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c. An Ottoman quartermaster CONCHOBAR a. A large shell b. Hatred of pacifists

c. King of Ulster Answers on page 54

KEENE on CHESS

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BY RAYMOND KEENE

Karpov's defence

the final.

Today's game is number eight from the Karpov v Kamsky Fide championship in Elista I held over publication of this hard-fought draw, giving prior attention to Karpov's exciting win in game nine, which put him 6'2-2's ahead. Karpov resorted once again to the Caro-Kann Defence, but on this occasion he cannot have been entirely satisfied with the passive moves. In addition, Karpov's king the right to castle. In spite of these disadvantages, this was a line Karpov had tried before, though with no great success.

Karpov's 17th move was a new idea, replacing 17...a5 which had been played on earlier occasions. Still, Kamsky retained an edge right through to the endgame and Karpov had to defend precisely in order to avoid defeat. A possible improvement for Kamsky would have been transposition to the rook and pawn endgame which would have reed after 46 Qf4 Qxf4, 47 Rxf4

hxg5, 48 hxg5 Kf8, 49 Kb3 a5 50 a4.

As played, Karpov saved himself in an endgame of queens and pawns where White's king was too exposed to allow further progress. White: Gata Kamsky Black: Anatoly Karpov Fide world championship

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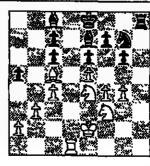
☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Karpov — Stubing, St Martin Simultaneous Display 1992. Black's position is very constricted and Anatoly Karpov, the Fide world champion, found a quick way to exploit this. Can

you see what he played? Solution on page 54



India thwarted by England's occupying power

LORD'S (final day of five): England drew with India

ONE of the proudest, most pertinent boasts of the England team fashioned by Raymond Illingworth is that it has become durable under strain. difficult to beat. More by circumstance than design. Illingworth is now a marginal figure in a dressing-room fussed over by David Lloyd, but the merit of his legacy was evident at Lord's yesterday.

The chairman of selectors made an increasingly rare appearance on the team balcony during a morning session in which four wickets fell giving India a distinct whiff of victory. Illingworth will have gone to his lunch chuntering discontentedly but, by teatime, his faith had been restored and a draw secured. Another England team, at another time, might not have survived.

If it was faintly alarming that England even flirted with defeat, in a game they had entered as firm favourites, it was reassuring that they were shepherded to safety by Jack Russell and Ronnie Irani: Russell, of course, was put on this earth for just such obstinate defiance but Irani was batting out of character, which made his occupation of the crease from 20 minutes before lunch until the last over before tea all the more laudable.

Technically, England were not quite safe when Irani was bowled off an inside edge. The lead was 143, with three wickets standing and 33 overs to bowl; a hat-trick immediately after tea might have made for a hair-raising run-chase. Russell was having no truck with such fantasy finishes, though. and, in company with a newly-obdurate Chris Lewis, ensured that England will go to Trent Bridge for the final game next week still 1-0

They will not, however, travel with the confidence they brought to Lord's for, after looking much the superior side at Edgbaston, things were different here. The Indians bowled with more sense and discipline than England; their batting also improved dramatfortably the pick of the conditions. This match has done much to revive their spirits. In effect, it has saved the tour from terminal

That India began this game so low on self-esteem remained apparent yesterday, for while they came close to a winning position, they did not attack the opening whole-heartedly. Their field-settings



Cricket Correspondent

were equivocal, as if they suspected a plot to embarrass them late in the day. It was also three hours before Azharuddin looked beyond his three main bowlers, indicating either a lack of imagination or a lack of faith.

That said, those three bowlers performed superbly and, if Irani had perished while living precariously against Srinath directly after lunch, the match might have had a different outcome, with India winning on this ground for only the second time in 13

Srinath has not enjoyed the luck his bowling has deserved, so few could begrudge him an early stroke of fortune yesterday. Stewart, facing his fourth ball of the morning, pushed stiffly away from his body an old failing but one he had avoided the previous evening - and dragged the ball into his off stump. This was a missed opportunity for him and he must now wait fretfully to see if a recovered Nick Knight will reclaim his place.

Three more wickets were to fall before lunch, the last of them belonging to Peter Martin. This was valour beyond the expectations of a



Irani: defiant stay

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sation of a sort for a man whose bowling in this game has not been sufficiently penetrative. Martin batted for dahbing Prasad to second slip. a moment in which the Indians perhaps realised for the first time that they might level

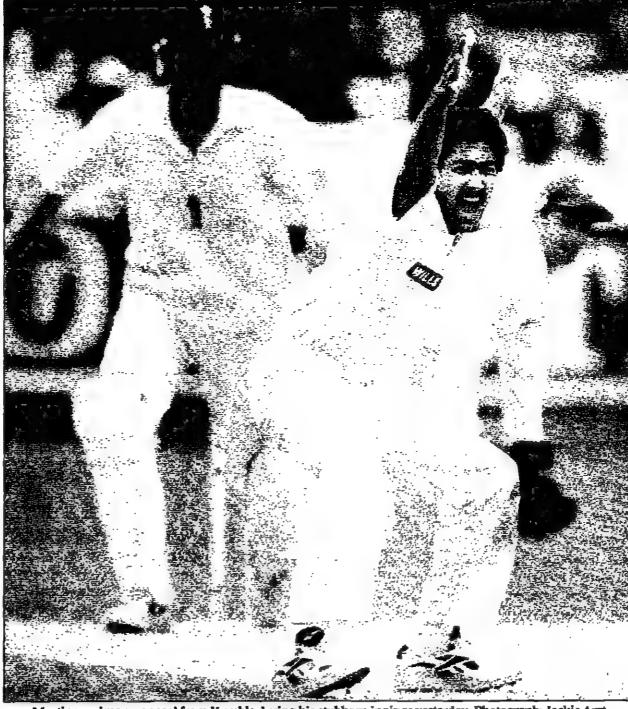
Before that, Thorpe had been acrobatically caught at short leg by Rathore as a ball from Kumble, fired into the off-stump rough from around the wicket, bounced and spun wickedly, and Hick had failed for the second time in a match he will want to forget. He spent 25 minutes on nought and had just square cut Prasad violently for four when he was caught behind off one that lifted and left him.

The occasional ball behaved eccentrically yesterday, though not regularly enough to make this a poor or hazardous pitch. This was as well for England, who had lost four wickets for 57 by lunch and led by only 85. Irani, a free spirit who attacks by instinct and preference, now dared not lose his wicket, Russell, who relishes such drama, did not even contemplate it.

trant's role in this match has been something of a mystery. He cannot, by right, bat at No 6 for England unless he is also a significant mem-ber of the attack and, as one of five seamers, he was never likely to be over-bowled. His first-innings failure therefore created extra pressure for him yesterday and he responded nobly - if, at first, with the help of the fates.

A wild pull might have gone to hand but fell safely; an edge flew agonisingly wide of the diving Rathore at second slip; and an indeterminate push almost became a return catch for the silently seething Srinath, who suffered in all three instances. Exhorted by Russell, Irani now settled down, punctuating more studious defence with some dashing back-foot off drives, a couple so lordly that Ted Dexter would have approved.

Russell, who batted for almost a day and a half of this leg-before to a shooter from Prasad when ten but umpire Hair reprieved him. Inside the last half-hour, Dickie Bird showed no such mercy, raising his finger instantly for his final leg-before decision and then spirming to examine his handiwork on the giant replay screen. Thereafter. tears of sentiment for the retiring Bird, sighs of relief for



Martin survives an appeal from Kumble during his stubborn innings yesterday. Photograph: Jackie Arzi

Lloyd happy with rearguard action

THE mood within England's dressing-room, after the draw that maintained their lead in the series with one Test to play, was relief. "If I was in the Indians' position," David Lloyd, the coach, said, "I would be disappointed not to have won.

Lloyd praised the efforts of Jack Russell, who batted for 94 hours in the match, and Ronnie Irani, who was playing in his second Test. Together, the pair batted their team through to survival after the bowling of Srinath, Prasad and Kumble had given the of winning the match.

"I thought we were absolutely brilliant in this game," Lloyd said. "The Indians will be pig-sick they did not win. The conditions for bowling were far more favourable for them. In fact, there was too much movement on the first day: the bowlers would not want that much. The way we stuck to the task in adversity pieased me no end."

Michael Henderson reports on a mood of relief felt within the England camp

Michael Atherton, who failed twice with the bat. amplified Lloyd's comments. We recognise that if we can't win a game, we must make sure we don't lose it. We had the worst of the conditions here and, in the end, it was a good effort to come out of the match with a draw. It shows there is a bit of steel in the

The team that goes to Trent Test, will not feature many changes. When the selectors meet in Salford on Saturday night, the main point of discussion will be whether Nick Knight regains his opening spot at the expense of Alec Stewart, assuming that the Warwickshire player's cracked finger has mended property.

Although England conceded a first-innings lead of 85 to India, as well as a hundred to one Test newcomer and 95 to another, the captain said that be was happy with his bowling resources, though he admitted that a spinner will be named in the party for

"We're happy with Cork and Lewis taking the new Atherton said. "Mullally has impressed in both Tests so far, getting the their batsmen work hard for their runs. They got more than 400 here, which is not ideal from our point of view. but we made sure they spent time getting them and would have less time to bowl us out

Atherton would not be drawn on his likely decision. had he won the toss, but said he thought Azharuddin had been brave to put England in

to bat and, given the bowling conditions on the first morning, probably right to do so.
"The pitch always deteriorates at Lord's later on, but batting was tricky early on in this match.'

Lloyd, alluding to the batting of Stewart on the fourth evening, stressed the need "to be competitive", which is fast becoming his signature tune. These are still the early days of his stewardship and he is, or appears to be, blind to other aspects of England's performance. They did not recognise Ganguly's hundred, probably all part of "being competitive"

When the match came to a halt at 5.20 yesterday, Dickie Bird took a tearful leave. surrounded by policemen, and made an absolutely final curtain call on the pavilion balcony. He may wish to have stood in a better match to mark his retirement from international cricket but such

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(239min, 176 belis, 10 lours)

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(23mm, 24 balls)
P J Marbin c Tendulkar b Prasad
(3min, 8 balls, 1 four)
A D Mulaily not out Extras (b 13, lb 11, nb 14) ... Total (130.3 overs, 585min)

BOWLING: Smath 33-9-76-3; Prased 33-9-10-76-5; Mhambrey 19-3-58-0; Kumble 28-9-60-0; Ganguly 15-2-49-2; Tendukar 2-1-1-0. INDIA: First Inning

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(49min 31 balls, 2 fours)

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(123min, 95 balls, 3 fours)

S G Genguly b Mullally
(436min, 300 balls, 20 fours)

S T Tendulicar b Lewis
(83min, 59 balls, 5 fours)

M Azharuddin c Russall b Mullally
(95min, 35 balls, 1 four)

A Jadeja b Irani
(95min, 35 balls, 1 four)

A Kumble low b Martin
(115min, 80 balls, 1 four)

J Strisath b Mullally
(82min, 47 balls, 2 fours)

P L Minambray not out
(74min, 47 balls, 2 fours)

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Total (169,3 overs, 780min) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25 (Arngia %), 2-59 (Ganguly 54), 3-123 (Ganguly 44), 4-154 (Ganguly 54), 5-202 (Ganguly 66), 6-296 (Dravid 35), 7-351 (Dravid 85), 8-388 (Dravid 70), 9-419 (Minambray 11). BOWLING: Lewis 40-11-101-3; Corl 42.3-10-112-2; Mullelly 39-14-71-3; Mar-tin 34-10-70-1; Irani 12-3-31-1; Hiok 2-0-

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A J Bassat b Stheth
(183min, 136 bells, 3 fours)

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(95min, 89 bells, 3 fours)

J Martin c Rethore b Pressel
(124min, 97 bells, 3 fours)

G P Thorpe C Rethore b Kumble
(55min, 49 bells, 3 fours)

G A Nick c Mongle b Presed
(38min, 24 bells, 1 four)

R C Russell fow b Ganguly
(185min, 100 bells, 2 fours)

G C Lewis not out
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(b 1, ib 5, nb 5) Total (9 dec, 121 overs, 508min) .. 278 8CORING NOTES: Fifth day: Lunch: 170-6 (75 overs, 310min; Irani 2, Russell 0). Tea: 230-7 (102 overs, 430min; Russell 8, Lewis 1). Second new bell: 190-8 (84 overs) et 2.17pm.

March chann. Metch award: R C Russell (Adjudicator: R G D Wile). Umpires: H D Bird and D B Hai

Third umpire: A G T Whitehead. Metch referee: C W Smith (West Incles). SERRES DETAILS: First Test (Edg-beston): England won by 8 wickets. Test to come: Third (Trant Bridge): July 3 to 8.

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Parsons provides focus in Leicestershire charge done and planning what they are soon followed, caught low down at

BRADFORD (final day of four): Leicestershire (24pts) bi Yorkshire (4) by an innings and 151 runs

IT WAS, James Whitaker, the Leicestershire captain, said, one of the proudest moments of his career. He had just led his adopted county to their first win over his native Yorkshire at Park Avenue in 17 matches. stretching back to 1889, and he could not wait to tell his players what they

"Focus" has been the buzz-word at Grace Road since he took over the captaincy from Nigel Briers and now the players go into a huddle at the fall of each opposition wicket, congratulating one another on what they have

Not that there was a great deal to do next. Yorkshire began the final day needing 179 to avoid an innings defeat with five wickets in hand and lost them in 16 overs for the addition of 28. Only Michael Bevan, the Australian, showed the fight expected of a supposedly-resurgent side, who had started the match on top of the championship table.

Resuming on 45, he had square cut Milins for his fifth four to reach 50 and at the same time become the first batsman to complete 1,000 first-class runs this season. By then, however, he had already lost White, who was caught behind, playing tentatively at a good ball from Gordon Parsons which lifted and left him. Blakey

second slip off Parsons as he pushed forward and when Gough was legbefore, Parsons had taken three for nought in 32 balls. At that stage. Parsons had bowled nine overs,

Derbyshire are third in the championship after a 363-run win over Middlesex. Durham lost to Surrey by eight wickets and have not won in 19 starts against first-class opposition this season.

starting on Saturday evening, without conceding a run. Hartley broke the sequence by hammering him through the covers for four but it was the last blow Yorkshire struck in

anger before Millns wrapped up the march by bowling Harrley and Stemp with successive balls.

So, Leicestershire move into a challenging position in the championship, 12 points behind Kent, the leaders, with a match in hand. And the sharply-focused Whitaker be-lieves that they can keep it up. "We are going to have a lot of matches at Grace Road in the second half of the season. Provided we can get some bouncy wickets, and depending on what frame of mind Alan Mullally is in when he comes back from the Test matches, we must have a chance."

Even though he was otherwise engaged at Lord's. Mullally was very much part of Leicestershire's preparation for this match. "We said on Wednesday night that we must show

Alan that we can still win when he's not here." Whitaker said. But he still has to be part of our focus when he comes and plays for us."

Compiled by Bill Frindail

Mullally will not have to look far for his example. Parsons is 36 but he still did more than anyone to bowl Yorkshire out twice on a pitch which had not changed much since Leicestershire were making 681 for seven declared on it with both Wells and

Whitaker scoring double centuries. They used to call him "bullhead" because of the snarling aggression which often did more to inspire the batsmen than improve his bowling. but Parsons is a mature cricketer these days. "He learnt to bowl in the old school - and when he comes across a pitch like this, he knows how to exploit it." Whitaker said.

Superb Sussex on a high

BY IVO TENNANT

HOVE (final day of four): Sussex (24pts) bt Glamorgan (3) by an innings and seven

TO WIN four county championship matches out of five is quite an achievement. For Sussex to do so after playing as poorly as they did during May is astonishing. They had to contend yesterday with bowling at Matthew Maynard, some of whose strokeplay was imperious, yet victory was still achieved without their having to bat again.

When Sussex were having such a wretched start to the season, it was hard to know which was less likely - winning three consecutive championship matches or one of their players failing a drugs test. Hove is supposed to be a genteel place. And what would George Cox have made of drugs at the Nevill, Tunbridge Wells, where once only birdsong assailed the senses?

tary, would not be drawn further on the matter, save to say it is now in the hands of the Test and County Cricket Board. To judge from the way Sussex are performing at present, stimulants of any kind are quite unnecessary. They won this match shortly after lunch. Indeed, they effectively did so when Maynard, whose century was his second of the season in the championship, was out. Glamorgan's captain had

resumed with his side 151 runs in arrears, which had much to do with having batted first on a damp pitch last Thursday. He knew that he would have to come up with a large innings, for only Cottey was capable of doing so from the batsmen who remained. Some of Maynard's strokes, notably when forcing the ball square of the wicket, were superlative. The problem was that he

began to run out of partners.

Cottey, who had made 33

century with five fours and put on 141 with Maynard in 32 overs. He departed through playing slightly across the line at Drakes and, after that, no batsman partnered Maynard for long. Thomas was too sluggish to beat Salisbury's throw from the boundary and Butcher was bowled pushing forward at Giddins, who then appeared to beat Croft for pace. All the while, Maynard, ho was watched by Graham Gooch, was striking the ball with that freedom which, until the years or his cigarettes catch up with him, will arouse the enthusiasm of any selector.

At lunch, Glamorgan still needed 32 runs to make Sussex bat again. Maynard reached his century, which included 14 fours and a six, off the first ball afterwards. To be churtish, his dismissal, to a catch at deep mid-wicket off Salisbury, was through a shot he could have avoided. But that is the way he plays - and it is always fun to watch.

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Minnows unlikely to catch a large fish

THOSE seeking the romance of a throughout the visiting team's 55.3 giant-killing in the first round of the NatWest Trophy, which annually offers some of cricket's Davids the chance to aim their slings at Goliaths, may be sadly disappointed today. With each passing year the prospect of such an outcome seems more remote, the only realistic consolation for the amateurs being the personal chance to catch the eye with runs or a few wickers.

With their sights set on the big prize on offer at Lord's on September 7, the first-class counties have been ruthless and unsentimental in their approach to these matches for several years and their insistence that the venues are not routinely those of their second-class opponents has reduced the scope for an upset.

The last first-class county to lose to a minor county on the field - as opposed to in a bowl-out, which cost Derbyshire their contest with Hertfordshire in 1991 - was Northamptonshire eight years ago, when Cheshire, their conquerors, possessed local knowledge of the pitch at Chester. Northamptonshire's unfamiliarity with the conditions was illustrated by Geoff Cook barring

overs for 53 runs. As it happens, Northamptonshire have been drawn to play Cheshire today and the fact that the game will be played at Northampton is not the only reason to doubt a repeat performance. The hosts were runners-up last year, they are the most successful one-day county in the country this season - and they remember 1988. Rob Bailey, the captain, describes it as "one of the worst days of my career".

The seven minor teams with home advantage are Cambridgeshire. Cornwall, Cumberland, Ireland, Lincolnshire, Oxfordshire and Staffordshire, but several are up against formidable one-day exponents.

Cambridgeshire - winners of the minor counties knockout cup last year and bolstered by the presence of Simon Kellett, the former Yorkshire batsman - meet Kent at March and Cornwall entertain Warwickshire, the holders, on their delightful, rural retreat at St Austell, where a full house of 5,000 is expected. Warwickshire will be without Knight, Munton and Piper, all of whom are injured. Reeve, the captain, will test his fitness

this morning. At Stone, many of the opposing players will be on familiar terms, as Staffordshire's opponents are neighbouring Derbyshire, who have regularly provided their talented youngsters with an entry into the first-class game. Derbyshire's staff includes four former Staffordshire players in Kim Barnen, Dominic Cork, Tim Tweats and Allan Warner. though Dean Jones intends to rest Cork after his exertions in the Lord's Test match.

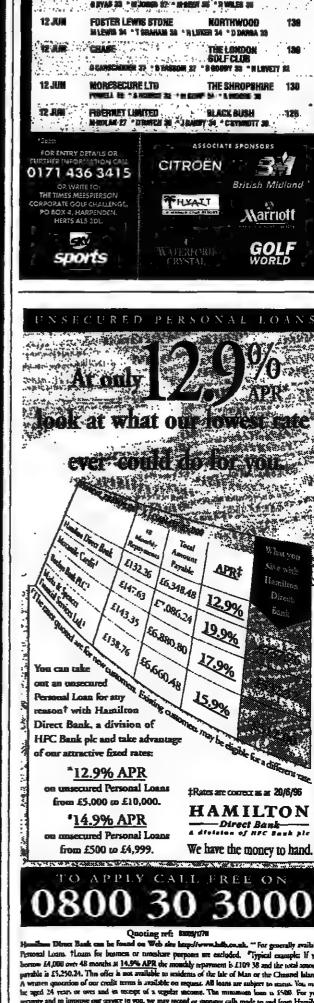
Perhaps the best prospect of a scare or two will be at Chester-le-Street. where Durham, who have yet to beat first-class opposition this season, could make heavy weather of beating

Suffolk, who play Somerset at Taunton, ought to be lifted by the presence of Derek Randall -- providing he does not, of course, get stuck in the traffic and arrive too late to play. as he did for the first round last year, □ John Claughton, one of the most successful masters-in-charge of cricket in Eton's history, relinquishes the post after their annual match against Harrow today. The fixture, which is the oldest at Lord's, is the loist between the two schools.









The NatWest Trophu ends today. For some. Good luck to all the teams taking part in the 16th NatWest Trophy; the UK's premier one-day competition. Will it bethe start of a long and glarious campaign towards the Final for your team? Or just a short walk back to the povilion? However they perform, let's hope they make some runs before they walk NatWest More than just a bank

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ATHLETICS: MENNEA'S 200 METRES TIME BETTERED BY AMERICAN WITH SIGHTS SET ON OLYMPIC DOUBLE

Johnson improves fine track record

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN ATLANTA

LONG AFTER Michael Johnson had broken the 200 metres world record here on Sunday, people were still queueing to have their photograph taken next to the clock showing 19.66. At the same time, Clyde Hart, Johnson's coach, was asked about physiological testing his athlete had undergone. "The only thing I know," Hart replied, eager to get away for the celebrations. "is that when they took off his shirt, there was a big S on his chest."

Superman sprinter, super-tech track. Carl Lewis is fond of saying that there is no such thing as a fast track, only fast legs, but Johnson, like most athletes, disagrees. "The track is definitely fast," he said before bringing down the oldest world record in a championship event, Pietro Mennea's suspect 19.72sec, es-tablished in 1979. How ironic

Results

that Italy should have had a hand in bringing down an Italian world record.

Mennea, now a university professor in Rome, lost his record to a race on a track made by Mondo, an Italian company. "There has never been a surface created like this," Michael DiNatale, the Mondo sales manager, said. The energy return on it is unbelievable. That is what makes it fast."

The United States trials for the Olympics Games were held in the stadium where the Olympic athletics programme begins 31 days hence. The profusion of quick times will heighten anticipation for the Games. Allen Johnson, who missed Colin Jackson's 110 metres hurdles world record by only 0.0 sec on Sunday, considers the Olympic stadi-um track "probably the fastest in the world

It is made of 5ft 8in thick sheets of vulcanized rubber. The top half is the hardest yet made by Mondo and the underneath is a softer material for shock absorption. "The

THE Great Britsin show-

jumping team, already win-ners of three Nations Cup

events this season, will at-

tempt to extend its successful

progress towards the Olympic

Games at Atlanta at the

Aachen Show in Germany,

The show is the most com-

petitive on the circuit and 12

countries have entered for the

Nations Cup on Friday, many

of them giving their Olympic

contenders a final workout.

Although Britain's Olympic

team of four is not due to be

officially announced until next Tuesday, three of the riders

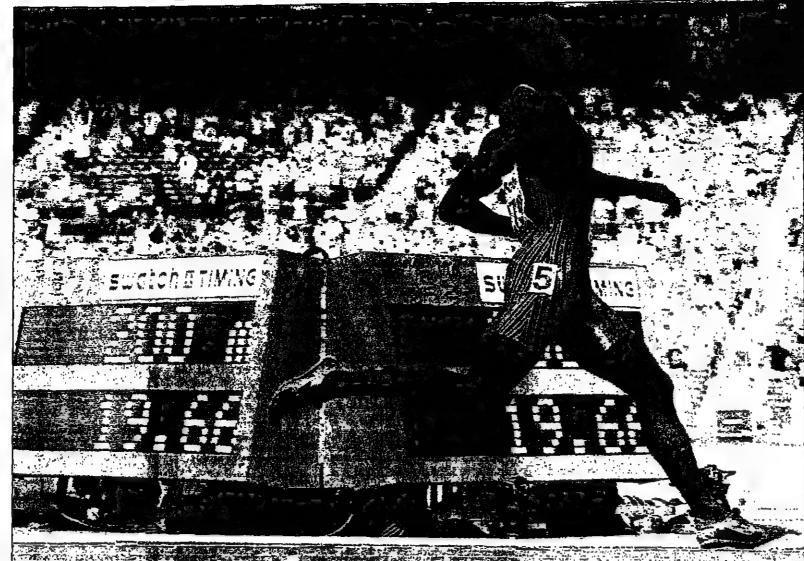
competing in Aachen - Michael Whitaker, Nick Skelton

and John Whitaker - already

have guaranteed places, pro-

vided that their horses remain

which begins today.



The oldest world record in a championship event falls to Johnson as he completes the 200 metres in 19.66sec at the United States Olympic trials

vulcanized rubber gives almost immediate return, so when an athlete impacts that surface, the energy is pushed back to him immediately," DiNatale said.

Not since 1991, at the world championships in Tokyo, has a track attracted this much interest. On that occasion Lewis set a 100 metres world record but it was revealed later that the track did not conform to International Amateur Athletic Federation specifications. Mondo insists this one does, claiming a shock absorption rating of 35.6 per cent against the allowable minimum of 35 per cent.

EQUESTRIANISM

Whitaker brothers to try out

Olympic horses at Aachen

By JENNY MACARTHUR

fit and sound. The Whitakers

are riding their Atlanta hors-

es. Welham and Two Step.

who confirmed their form

when finishing third and fourth in the Luxembourg

Grand Prix ten days ago. Two

Step, now fully recovered from

an injury to his withers, which

he sustained in February, also

gained a clear round in the

Nations Cup in Luxembourg.

pic contender, Showtime, and

bringing out his 1995 World

Cup winner, Dollar Girl, and

Cathleen Three, the mare he

rode in the winning Nations

Cup side at Lisbon earlier this

He had thought that Cath-

leen Three's performance in Lisbon qualified her for Atlan-

ta, where he hoped to have her

Skelton is resting his Olym-

will begrudge Johnson his first individual outdoor world record. Despite the track, the warmth which sprinters thrive on and a legal tailwind, he was the only athlete to break 20 seconds in a race which included two men with Olympic gold medals at the distance - Lewis and Mike Marsh. It still needed an athlete of rare quality to obliterate a record not only set at high altitude but questioned because, according to some who were present, Mennea ran out of his lane, shortening his line around the bend.

Johnson is unbeaten in 53

as his reserve, but there is now

a question mark over her

qualification. Michael Bull-

man, chairman of the selec-

tors, intends to sort it out this

All three riders have one

major advantage at the show.

They are already qualified for

the grand prix on Sunday - worth £40,000 to the winner -

and will not have to tire out

their horses in the qualifying

Robert Smith, with Orthos,

and Geoff Glazzard, with Hel-

lo Oscar, both on the Olympic

shortlist, complete the team of

five. Smith, who took over the

ride on Orthos from Peter Murphy earlier this year, has

forged an instant partnership

with the Dutch-bred gelding.
Frustratingly for Smith,
there is no room for him on the

Olympic team. Geoff Billing-

ton and it's Otto are likely to

make up the team of four. Smith is vying with Di

Lampard for the reserve pos-

ition but, with Lampard's

Abervail Dream showing con-

sistently good form, most re-

cently in the winning team in the San Marino Nations Cup,

Britain's main rivals on

Friday are likely to be Switzer-

land, the European champi-

ons, Germany, the favourites

to win the gold medal in Atlanta, and Ireland, who

relegated Britain to second

place last year after one of

their most impressive interna-

The two youngest horses on the British Olympic dressage team — Richard Davison, on

the nine-year-old, Askari, and

Vicky Thompson, on the ten-

year-old, Enfant - will also be

making a final pre-Olympic

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tional performances.

her claim looks watertight.

Fast track or not, nobody

races at 400 metres and 21 at 200 metres. Among track athletes, only Ed Moses in the history of the sport has a longer sequence. 107 consecutive victories at 400 metres hurdles. Nothing, though, would mean more to Johnson than becoming the first man to do the Olympic 200-400 me-tres double. "I would take being a double gold medallist in the 200 and 400 any day over being a world recordholder," he said.

Hart, who discovered Johnson when he was an unexceptional high school sprinter. was given due credit by John-"All week he has been the controller and I have just been out there running," Johnson. who won the 400 metres last Wednesday in the third fastest time ever, said. Remarkably. the record came after four rounds of 400 metres and in his fourth at 200 metres, not in a one-off race.

To get a world record when you are fresh is one thing, but to do it this way is very rewarding," Hart said. "The world record was set at sea level after eight days of running and four of those days were quarter miles. I have never seen him more physically fit than he is now." Jeff Williams, runner-up in ciously as Du'aine Ladejo after Roger Black set a British 400 metres record. record is going to be shortlived because you have two people here who are going to be gunning for it," Williams, who has run 19.87sec this season, said. Johnson's average speed over 200 metres is faster than Leroy Burrell's was in setting the 100 metres world record of 9,85sec. Johnson described his effort as "the perfect race", adding: "I think I am capable of 19.5sec." So he thinks he can improve on the perfect race. Watch out for the

20.03sec, responded as ungra-

S on his chest at the Olympics.

faith in McAvoy

By Christopher Irvine

IT WOULD not have taken a genius to see that scheduling the Wales v England international on the same night as the semi-finals of the European football championship was a bad idea, but it was foresight the Rugby Football League

struggle in Australia. sent. Until the Sydney appeal court rules on the banning of expected to do until October —

The Australian Rugby League, increasingly desperate in its isolation, has turned to a rebel Fijian XIII for opposition after the cancellation of two matches against an unofficial New Zealand team.

minds, at Cardiff Arms Park tomorrow, will be elsewhere. Unlike Wembley, ticket availability is not a problem, and 6,000 would be seen as a good attendance for what is the deciding match in the championship, Wales and England both having comprehensively dismissed France.

Martin Offiah withdrew from the England side because of a toe injury, and John Bentley is on the left wing, one of two threequarter replacements, with Nathan McAvoy, 19, getting a de-served first full international in place of Paul Newlove, who has a chest infection. McAvoy, a rangy and balanced runner. has displayed lethal finishing for Salford with 12 tries this season. His selection represents the future.

Daryl Powell is restored after injury at half back, outside Shaun Edwards, who keeps Bobbie Goulding out on the basis of an outstanding contribution in the 73-6 defeat of France. Andrew Farrell takes up the captaincy after missing that match. Steve Malloy will play at prop instead of Karl Harrison, who has a hamstring injury. Wales have delayed announcing a team until today.

ENGLAND: S Prescott (St Holens) J Robinson (Wigan), G Connolly (Wigan), N McAvoy (Saltord), J Bentloy (Hakay); D Powelf (Knightoy) S Edwards (Wigan), P Broadbent (Sheffiuld) J Lawless (Shoffeld), S Malloy (Foatherstone), C Joynt (St Helbry), P Scuttorpe (Wannglon), A Farrell (Wigan, captain)

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 51

(c) One of the nine Muses, the inventress of historical and heroic poetry, the Muse of history. Hence the pun. "Can Clio do more than amuse?" Addison adopted the name as a pseudonym, and many of his papers in the Spectator are signed by one of the four letters in CLIO, probably the initial letters of where they were written — viz. Chelsea. London, Islington and Office.

(b) A Gnostic sect. also called Nasoreans and Christians of St John, which arose in the 1st-2nd centuries and are still found near Baghdad, though they cannot have much fun there. Their teachings were akin to those of the Manichaeans.

(a) The name given in medieval romances to the centaur, whose eyes sparkled like fire and struck dead like lightning, fabled to have been introduced into the Trojan armies, Shakespeare, Troilus and Cressida. V. v. The dreadful Sagittary/ Appals our

(c) In ancient Irish romance, son of Nessa, and king of Ulster at the opening of the Christian era. He was uncle and guardian of Cuchulain and also brought up Deirdre. He is said to have died of anger on the day of Christ's crucifizion.

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

The Mark of Legio sportsmanship

Moguis: Mark McCormack. Radio 5 Live, 9.35pm.

Not only does Mark McCormack have a finger in every pie, he owns Not only does Mark McCormack have a larger are every pie, he owns the bakery, too. That's a good way for a programme to introduce the man who runs the International Management Group, specialists in sports marketing, consulting and programme packaging. Clients include Wimbledon, the British Open, the English Football Association and — when he visited Britain in 1982 — the Pope Now it. has designs on Fifa and the International Amateur Athletic Association. David Mellor, who interviews McCormack tonight remains strangely silent when challenged to name a single th remains strangely silent when challenged to name a single thing IMG had ever done wrong. Mellor had reminded him what his critics said about his group's handling of the World Match Play Championships — "less of a golfing competition, more of a wealth creation scheme for IMG".

A Singular Sensation. Radio 2, 9.00pm.

Because it is Tim Rice who narrates this account of the sensational success of A Chorus Line, which ran for 15 years on Broadway, I assumed the thoughts were his. The reality is that this first-rate documentary was written by Nick Hirst, who also produced it. I assume, however, that because Tim Rice has long been a stage musical man to his fingertips, he does not utter a word tonight with which he disagrees. He (and Hirst) pronounce A Chorus Line to be a work of genius. I would go along with that.

Peter Davalle

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9.00 Morning Collection with Peut Gernbeschil, Includes Weber, orch Berkoz (Invitation to the Dance); Khachaturtan (Sulte, Spartacus); Beethoven (Plano Sonata in D, Op 10 No

(Plano Sonata In D., Op 10 No 3)

10.00 Musical Encounters.
Vaughan Williams (The Lark Ascending); 10.10 Artist of the Week: William Bennett, flute. Bach (Triple Concerto in A minor BWV 1044); Ives (General William Booth Enters into Heaven); Milhaud (Sonatina, Op 76); Tchairovsky (Symphyony No 2 In C minor, Little Russian)

12.00 Composer of the Week: Benjamin Frantiel

1.00pm Manchester
International Cello Featival. Rodney Stationd presents highlights of this year's testival at the Royal Northern College of Music, Includes Boocherini (Sonata No 5 in G); Shostakovich (Sonata Op 40); Mosolov (Legend, Op 5)

2.00 The BBC Orchestras. BBC Philharmonic US Tour under Yan Pascal Tortelier, with Colin Carr, cello. Britten (Four Sea Interludes. Peter Grimes); Elgar (Cello Concerto in Eminor); (Beethoven ISymphony No 7 in A)

3.06 Singers Plus ... The second of lour concerts recorded at

St. John's, Smith Square, London, The BSC Singers is under Stephen Cleobury, will? David Goode, organ, Loussa Fuller, violin, Peter Comelus (Three Choral Songs, Op 11); Karo-Bert (Fugue, Canzona Comellus (Liebe, Op. 18);
Poulenc (Litarries à la visige noire); Dupré (Ave Meris stella); Frank Martin (Mese lour double choir).

5.00 The Music Machine:

Chicago, with Tommy Poemon 5.15 in Tune, includes Mayeri

6.16 in Tune. Includes Mayer (Merigold); Mozart (Piano Sonata in D. 1311); Potur Sculhone (Small Town)
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2.30 Striking Chords. Sarah Ward s joined by soprano Sally Burgess, 1970s pop star Noddy Holder and free jazz alchemet Billy Jeniurs

3.00 The Afternoon Shift

4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope.
Paul Vaughan reads a new novel by Mario Vargas Llosa and finds out what's on at the City of London Festival City of London Festival

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Yachtsman rescued in Atlantic

BY EDWARD GORMAN SAILING CORRESPONDENT

THE Europe I Star single-handed transatiantic race is turning into a war of attrition with three of the leading contenders either capsized or crippled in vicious winds and heavy seas in the northwest Atlantic, and a search-andrescue mission launched for Peter Crowther, the British vachtsman from Devon.

Crowther's automatic emer gency radio positioning beacon was activated at about 11.30am yesterday on board his 42ft Class 3 monohul). Galway Blazer, which was around 700 miles out from Plymouth. An RAF Nimrod search-and-rescue aircraft coordinated the search, but the 50-year-old pub landlord, who was in his fifth transatlantic race, was later picked up in

his life-raft by a Swedish container vessel. There was more drama at the front of the fleet. After the capsize last week of one of the favourites, Laurent Bourgnon, on the 60ft trimaran. Primagaz, the overall leader, Francis Joyon, also of France, was reported to have overturned on the trimaran, Banque Populaire. Joyon. who was 190 miles off the coast of Halifax, Nova Scotia, was staying with his yacht.

prove sufficiently to allow him to be towed ashore. This was followed by new of the dismasting of the 60ft monohull, Aquitaine Innovations, sailed by another Frenchman, Yves Parlier, who was vying for the lead in the monohull fleet ahead of Giovanni Soldini, of Italy. on Telecom Italia and Pete Goss,

hoping conditions would im-

of Britain, on Aqua Quorum. Joyon was particularly unlucky to come off the rails when he did. He was well ahead of the chasing pack with only 450 miles to go to the finish at Newport, Rhode Island, and within sight of breaking the nine-day record for the 3,000-mile race set by Phillipe Poupon in 1988.

The new leader is Paul Vatine, of France, on Région Haute Normandie, who has about 780 miles to go to the finish. With his fellow countryman, Loick Peyron, on Fujicolor II. just a few miles behind him, there is now every prospect of a tight

RUGBY LEAGUE

England put their

apparently lacked.

Bad timing was a recurrent theme yesterday, after the sudden cancellation of the Oceania Cup, due to run from July 3 to 17. The event, which had created resentment among English clubs forced to release overseas players, is the latest victim of the power

Rugby league's own European championship is all that is sustaining the game in its international context at pre-Super League in Australia until 2000 - which it is not the mess and the uncertainty

will go on. Losing the Oceania Cup, which was meant to improve the playing strength of smaller nations ahead of the World Cup next year, is a setback for the Super League international board.

Bodies, and doubtless a few

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12.16 FILM: Heat Wave (1990) starring Cicely

1.45am Weather (1449591)

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Legionnaires' dis-ease brings lads out in pixels

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The clectronic eraser. Terrifying sergeant-majors, bad boys who listory. The clectronic eraser is not a bad thing. I wasn't quite sure the tried to explain: 'It is not genes' the tried to explain: 'It is not genes' the tried to explain: 'It is not genes' like two unrelated, almost contralessons and, most noticeably of all dictory questions to me, but the "number 21" in the nocturnal recruiting sergeant in the French counting class - they all took the Foreign Legion did not look like a computer-generated veil. Gaining man to waste time on the niceties access to the French Foreign of sentence construction. A simple Legion was one thing, getting them oui or non would suffice.

> been quite another. Further proof was the conspicuous difference between the verbal accounts of the two British recruits whose progress we were following and the pictures that accompanied them. Both complained of being punched, but not a single assault was captured on camera. They hit you quite hard," said 18-year-old David Devine who, if he had chosen a new name, had clearly misspelt it. It was his Christian upbringing that was getting him through, he explained.

out of the cutting room had clearly

Taylor's film was a little slowmoving to pursue the fashionable

what we did learn was that the Legion would not admit murderers, armed robbers or people convicted of drug offences. But a guy who steals a car in the evening ... that would be tolerated," explained a helpful NPO (non pixellated officer).

The glimpses we were allowed of basic training were still fascinating, particularly the language lessons, the philosophy behind which can best be described as French with tears. Everyday conversation was taught with the recruit standing at attention while a Francophone officer fired questions at him. Counting was consolidated by waking the recruits up every couple of hours to see if they could get to 30 yet and punching them (off camera, naturellement) when they could



not. But that was a pienic compared with the singing lessons. Singing, it was explained, is integral to "training and cohesion". The problem is that the Foreign Legion is a little short of jolly tunes, preferring gloomysounding dirges that apparently go very well with the Legion's

slow, rolling swagger. Currently

top of the pops in the Aubagne

training camp is a deadly little

Bond

umpleen punishment runs up and down a nearby hill, I thought our boys - bless their little cotton shorts - were sounding dreary enough. But apparently not. "They need to come out of their shells a bit," explained an officer with a unpixellated ear for music. Part two

If Professor Steve Jones ever gets round to setting In the Blood (BBC2) to music, last night's final instalment should go down well with lachrymose Legionnaires. They will be able to swagger along unhappily to such hits as "Die and Your Genes Die With You" or "The Great Engines of Evolution are A-Grinding to a Halt". Yes, after six weeks, Jones, now established as the king of the scientific one-liners, had reached the end of the genetic road. So, he explained, had the

Whether this was a good thing

that drive society, it is society that drives genes."
All of a sudden, I longed for the

simplicity of "do you wish to

become anonymous and change your name? Jones tried again: "The most important event in the human genetic future has been the invention of the bicycle. Or perhaps the

747." Well, make up your mind.

But Jones persevered in that laid-back style that has made In the Blood so watchable during the past six weeks, if not always readily understandable. But what I think he was saying was that because of bicycles and planes and things, most of us no longer marry our cousins, thereby reducing the chance of a set of unwittingly related parents passing on two copies of the same lethal or debilitating gene to their

engine of natural selection ... By George, I think I've got it. I feel a chorus of "Soldats de France ..." coming on. But people, of course, do still die,

a fact that occupied Panorama (BBCI) as it took a noisy gallop around the scientific and ethical issues that surround the subject of animal transplants, A little less shouting from reporter Gavin Hewitt and a little more science might have been helpful, as it seemed to me that many of the ethical objections would evaporate if the problems of rejection and cross-species infection are ever properly solved. But the fact that I can even write that sentence and know - if only for a day - what it means, is proof that Hewitt had laboured, and indeed shouted, to good effect. All together new: "Soldats de . . .

6.00em Business Breakfast (33372) 67.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceefax) (35903) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (Ceefax) (2055361)

Non. And you moved swiftly on

to the next stage of training

bidding adieu to a full head of hair

and being kitted out with a very

small pair of white running shorts.

Answer oui and not only did you

get a new name, you also joined

the small but scary band who

appeared throughout Ian Taylor's

Foreign Legion (Channel 4) last

night with faces pixellated, their

identities hidden behind a mosaic

Never can pixels have been

applied with such care. The merest

hint of an ear that had requested

anonymity and out would come

of dancing electronic squares.

9.20 Prue Leith's Tricks of the Trade (r) (7362274) 9.30 The Natural World (r) (Ceefax) (s)

(2580361) 10.20 FILM: Hot Enough for June (1965). Spy satire starring Dirk Bogarde, Styva Koscina, Robert Morley and Leo McKern.

Directed by Ralph Thomas, Including 11.00 News and weather (83759090) 12.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (7982274) 12.05pm Going for Gold (8162816) 12.30 For the Love of it (29003274)

12.35 Neighbours (Caelax) (s) (4690670) 1.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (38090) 1.30 Regional News and weather(72424361)

1.40 Wimbledon 96, Live coverage from Centre Court as reigning champion Steffi Grat opens the ladies' singles compe-tition (s) (29690090) 5.35 Neighbours (r) (Ceelax) (s) (341496)

6.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (854) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (106) 7.00 The Good Food Show. Recipe ideas apiced with

investigative reports (s) (7309) 7.30 EastEnders. A family crisis means a long, hard night for the Mitchell clan. lan's attempts to improve relations with Cindy are not appreciated, Tony discovers some more information about Simon, and Robbie is on the warpeth (Ceefax) (390) 8.00 England v Germany Special (Ceelax)

8.30 Goodnight Sweetheart. Gary's timetravelling begins to get the better of him when he is caught for a drink-driving offence in 1994, after consuming too much alcohol in 1941 (r) (Ceefax) (s)

iex) and v 9,30 Flying Soldiers: War. The six remaining trainees (ace their final challenge as the embark on a mock-up exercise to which Britain is at wer and they must ily below radar height to get a sighting of the "enemy" (Ceelax) (a) (43835)

10.00 Cardiac Arrest. Dr Colin and three patients are put at risk by a knife-wielding psychiatric patient impersonating a doctor Last in series (Ceslax) (3) (21089) 10.30 Today at Wimbledon. Highlights from

11.30 international Athletics, Highlights from this evening's athletics from Helainki

Tyson, Blair Underwood, James Earl Jones and Sally Kirkland. Award-winning drama based on the experiences of LA Times reporter Robert Richardson during the Watts riots of 1965. After his graduation, Richardson encounters difficulties in finding work as a journalist. But when the race riots break out in the Watts district, he volunteers to cover the story - as the LA Times is unable to send any of its white staff into the area. Directed by

6,00am Open University: Measuring the Earth and the Moon (6296651) 6.25 Polar Oceans (6282458) 6.50 Home and Away (3779212)

7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (3412767) 7.30 Smurfs' Adventures (r) (1723632) 7.85 Blue Peter (r) (7141545 8.20 Postman Pat (r) (7980670) 8.35 The Record

9.00 Yesterday at Wimbledon (Caelax) (s) (35090)

10.00 Playdays (r) (2503941) 10.25 Rendell and Hopkirk (Deceased) (r) (5666125) 11.15 Camp Wilder (r) (4185748) 11.40 Consuming Passions (3594201) 11.46 Postman Pat (r) (8910800)

12.00 Wimbledon 96. Desmond Lynam and Sue Barker introduce coverage of the opening match of the ladies' singles compelition (646380)

3,00pm News (Ceetax) (4306903) 3.05 Westminster with Nick Ross (Ceelax) (s) (4616496)

3.55 News (Ceetax) (2134962) 4.00 Cartoon (6805187) 4.05 Dennis the Menace (Caelax) (6839570) 4,30 Ocean Odyssey (Ceefax) (903) 5.00 News-round (Ceefax) (6808421) 5.10 Activ-8 (Ceetex) (s) (1654816)

5.35pm Wimbledon 96. Further coverage of the championships introduced by Desmond Lynam and Sue Barker (45193583)

8.30 Tracks. Guide to the countryside. Lindsay Cannon has a wild night out in a wood, while survival expert Ray Mears tracks down his favourite plant. There is also a stroll along one of Britain's prettiest



The Murder One team (9.00pm)

9.00 Murder One: Chapter Seventeen Legal drama following a high-profile case. The defence treats Julie Costello as a hostile witness. New information surfaces about Nurse Dominick's ties to Richard Cross. The District Attorney

forced to testify in court. (132309) 9.45 Situation Vacant: the Ship's Enterteinment Officer. Focus on the prospects of Ken Dodson, a 37-year-old from Liverpool whose dream job is to be an all-singing, all-dancing entertainments officer on a luxury liner (Ceetax) (s) (107274)

10.30 Newsnight (Ceelax) (415125) 11.15 Strange Days. Catherine Bennett questions the rapid growth of alternative medicine (2/3)

Ceefax) (561187) 11.45 Close Up. Actress Jane Birkin chooses a scene from Ingmar Bergman's erotic drama The Silence (r) (465090). Followed

12.00 The Midnight Hour (12572) 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

The Good Food Show

BBC1, 7.00pm Food programmes have never been more popular and this second series repeating a tried and tested formula will appeal both to budding chels and canny consumers. The regular presenting team comprises Juliet Morris, droll Pete McCarthy and troubleshooting reporter Will Hanrahan, who will be offering insider information on the food industry. Each week there will be a masterclass from a top chef, easy-to-follow recipes for "Simply Delicious Suppers" and "Pronto Puds", consumer reports and news about the latest food fads. Today Pete McCarthy goes on a Japanese restaurant crawl, asking whether the cuisine has more to offer than raw fish and sake, and the Scottish chef Nick Nairn shares some imaginative ways of cooking vegetables.

The Bill: Spik TTV. 8.00pm

Perversely ignoring its 1,000th show, the popular police series salutes its 999th edition with an hour-long special involving all three "909" emergency services. Spili is the dramatic tale of a tanker overturning outside a busy Tube station and spilling dangerous chemicals. As ever, this is crisp, no-frills storytelling with the hour-long format making little difference to the pace — The Bill was after all an hour-long show which only changed to its half-hourly, twice-weekly format in 1988. These days the programme is the UK's top police drama series attracting 12 million viewers per episode, but for its makers there is still an element of surprise about its success.

Foreign Legion: Jungle Warriors Channel 4, 9.00pm

This second documentary about the Foreign Legion, celebrating its 150th anniversary this year, once again takes us in at ground level. this time following the experier Legionnaires, some fresh from basic training, as they arrive for more training and humiliation in the jungles of French Guiana. Before being dropped by helicopter into the heart of darkness, the Legionnaires are introduced to the beasts that will keep them company, including alligators, spiders and pythons - they are expected to grapple with the latter. The training itself involves survival techniques and a nightmarish, mud-splattered obstacle course. All this is vividly conveyed but the programme lacks perspective. Starved of information about the real role of this romanticised mercenary army, we are left with the oddly cheery impression that becoming a Legionnaire is like going on a glorified outdoor adventure

BBC2, 11.15pm

Is there no cure for credulity?" demands the outspoken Catherine Bennett in a programme debunking alternative medicine. As far as Bennett is concerned, it is all nonsense, a view which will irritate the many people who feel they have benefited from such treatments. She herself admits that in a recent survey three quarters of the people who had seen an alternative practitioner said their condition had improved, but then there is the placebo effect to consider. Bennett has no hesitation about lumping together, say, acupuncture with classes on how to breathe (for people who like to leave nothing to chance), but if her flippant approach smacks of prejudice, it is also a refreshing one. Her comments on the BMA's contradictory attitudes seem entirely reasonable, as do her criticisms of therapists who insist that illnesses are the fault of the

*** 6.00am GMTV (7552309)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (s) (1713903) 9.55 Regional News (Teletext) (2580090) 10.00 The Time . . . the Place (s) (9439670) 10.35 This Morning (77767729)

12.20pm Regional News (Teletaxt) (7988458) 12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (4683767) 12.55 Shortland Street (a) (4668458) 1.25 High Road (Teletext) (7150125)

2.00 Home and Away (Teletext) (96563831) 2.25 Murder, She Wrote (r) (8058274) 3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (4313293) 3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (4312564)

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the Little Helicopter (r) (s) (6815564)
4.16 Transylvania Pet Shop (Teletext)
(a) (1163477) 4.40 Finders Keepers
(Teletext) (s) (4494496)

5.10 The Dressing Up Show (3785309) 5.40 News and weather (Telelext) (867019) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (s) (330941)

6.25 HTV News (Teleterd) (572816) 7.00 Emmerdale. Jack is mystified by the disappearing cow and Kathy is horrifled by the alterations at the tea rooms (Teletext) (a) (2477)

Socrete of the Levels: The Tone Valley In Winter. Photographer Chris Clapham follows the course of the river Tone from village of



Dealing with danger (8.00pm)

8.00 The Bill: Spill. Disaster strikes Sun Hill when a tanker crashes, spitting a potentially lethal load near a housing estate (Teletaxt) (9477) 9.00 Frontiers. The tragile truce between Jarratt and Kirsten reaches breaking point (Teletext) (з) (2941)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (21125) 10.30 Regional News (Teletext) (607729) 10,40 FILM: The Freshman (1990) with Matthew Broderick and Marton Brando. A naive college student is offered the parttime job of a lifetime Unfortunately it Involves working for the local Malia. Directed by Andrew Bergman (Teletext) (s) (58434354)

12.35 FILM: Portrait of a Hitman (1977) stammg Jack Palance, Richard Roundtree, and Rod Steiger. A professional hitman finds himself facing a moral dilemma when he is hired to kill a triend who saved his life. Directed by Allan A. Buckhatz (574152)

2.15 Late & Loud (s) (899591) 3.15 The Chart Show (s) (9107864) 4.10 Murder, She Wrote (r) (s) (6290539) 5.00 Power Game (22046) 5.30 Morning News (40355)

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6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (572816) 7.30-8.00 Time Out (458)

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12.25-12.30 My Story. The work of Bill Rogers, who is head of a school for children with very special demands (7996477) 12.55 Emmerdale (4668458) 1.25-1.55 Cross Wits. Cryptic crossword

game show presented by Torn O'Connor (59510748) 1.55 Home and Away (84172813) 2.25 Liz Earle's Lifestyle.

magazine series (89818908) 2.55-3.20 A Country Practice (9158583) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (3785309) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (33458)

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SAMORES. 6.30am Chicken Minute (r) (23670)

7.00 The Big Breakfast (51941) 9.00 FILM: The Cariboo Trail (1950, b/w) starring Randolph Scott. Western drama about a gold prospector who comes to the attention of a gang of claim-jumpers. Directed by Edwin L. Marin (88620106) 10.35 FILM: Northwest Stampede (1948,

b/w) starring James Craig and Joan Leslie, Family western directed by Albert S. Rogell (5500293)

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2.20 FILM: They Made Me a Criminal (1939, b/w) starring John Garlield. A boxing champion who thinks he has killed an opponent takes refuge on a farm run for delinquent boys. Directed by Busby Berkeley (Teletext) (898293)

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Living life on the edge (8.00pm)

8,00 Human Jungle. Examining the thin fine (s) (9767)

8,30 Brookside. Bel goes for a job interview and builds up her hopes for the future (Teletext) (a) (8274)

9.00 Foreign Legion. Second of a two-part look at the French Foreign Legion (Teletext) (a) (6093) ing by Andrew Culien. Controversial

black comedy about the survivors of a plane crash on an idyllic island who take on the names and personalities of their levourite film stars. With Andrew Schofield, Noreen Kershaw, Gordon Sinciair, Jans Horrocks and Jenniier Ehie (r) (Teletext) (s) (367125) 11.50 Sean's Show. Cornedy with Sean Hughes (r) (s) (681941)

12.20em World League Football. Highlights from the European American football 12.50 FILM: Welcome to the Terrordome

(1993) with Suzette Liewellyn, Saftron Burrows and Felix Joseph, Drama set in a 21st-century ghetto, where a mother sets out to avenge the death of her son in a riot at a party celebrating a big drug deal. Directed by Angela Ngozi Onwurah 2.35 Crowded House. A look at life in a semi

In Willesden, north London, that is the temporary home for up to 20 antipodean travellers (r) (s) (1369626) 3.05 Douglas Coupland — Close Personal Friend (r) (94768978). Ends at 3.30

For more comprehensive listings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision supplement, published Saturday SKY ONE

7.00am Undum (88019) 9.00 Press Your Luck (7422011) 9.20 Love Connection (1478816) 9.45 Oprah Wintrey (6021800) 10.40 Jeopardyl (1014903) 11.10 Sally Jessy Raphael (4822125) 12.00 Sighings (48816) 12.30pm Murphy Bown (76187) 1.00 Hotel (97670) 2.00 Garadio (42729) 1.00 Hotel (97670) 2.00 Garadio (42729) 1.00 Court TV (8816) 3.30 Oprah Wintrey S613212) 4.15 Undum (6098922) 5.00 Quantum Leap (299) 6.00 Space Precinct (84106) 7.00 LAPD (3125) 7.30 M*A*S*H (851) 8.00 Jag (34125) 9.00 The X-files (8406) 7.00 LAPD (3125) 7.30 M*A*3*H (951) 8.00 Jag (34125) 9.00 The X-files (1436) 10.00 Cusntum Laap (24748) 17.00 Hightander (8) 553) 12.00 Laic Show with Dawid Lenerman (224281) 12.45sem Deadly Intentions (6741442) 1.30 Anything But Love (89442) 2.00 Hit Max (7924882) <u>SKY</u> NEWS_

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JOHNSON REMAINS ON TRACK FOR OLYMPIC DOUBLE

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No 3 seed is leading casualty of dramatic opening day of surprises at Wimbledon

Flach floors Agassi the unready

THE LOTTERY of the early days of Wimbledon, where players must grapple with the unfamiliar bounce of lush grass as green as billiard tables, yesterday took its toll. The demise of four seeded players, the Americans Andre Agassi (No 3), Michael Chang (No 6) and Jim Courier (No 8). and the Frenchman, Arnaud Boetsch (No 15), was as much a reflection of conditions as the

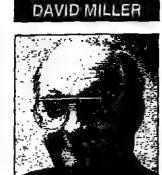
form of their opponents.

Pete Sampras, defending his title for the third consecutive time, himself dropped the first set to Richey Reneberg before finding his touch. He acknowledged the difficulty confronting players as they attempt the rapid tranmission from clay to grass, saying he wished there was more time. "I don't see how Borg did what he did," Sampras said, reflecting on the Swede's five consecutive titles on grass.

Agassi's abrupt elimination on No 2 Court, that notorious iveyard for seeded players, by his compatriot, Doug Flach, 2-6, 7-6, 6-4, 7-6, will have surprised no-one who witnessed his sloppy display in the French Open three weeks ago. To a degree, Agassi for grass, though his unprofessional approach to the game this season has meant he was unready for most surfaces.

Flach, 25, is the brother of Ken Flach, twice Wimbledon doubles champion, but has only once gone past the first round of a grand-slam event, when reaching the second round of the US Open second round in 1993. Ranked 281 in the world, his career prizemoney is a modest £210,000, compared with Agassi's Ell

Looking overweight, as he had in Paris, and weary around the eyes, perhaps the legacy of a brief bout of flu last week during practice at Aorangi Park, Agassi said: "[was one of many guys trying to do well, and didn't ... I'm trying to get my game back to the top level again." He conceded that it was not his practice to play warm-up tournaments for Wimbledon because he considered it was detrimental to his game on other surfaces. Agassi, whose first grand slam title came at



Becker, the No 2 seed, had cleared the first hurdle confi-

dently, Sampras after his ini-

tial hiccup, but each admitted

that the problem involved in

transferring from the clay of Paris to Wimbledon in a

changeover restricted to two

ly hazardous given the great depth of today's men field.
"For someone who doesn't

like it [grass], whose game doesn't suit it, there aren't the

tournaments to adjust and time is so short," Becker said having raced to a straight-sets

victory over Fleurian, of France, for the loss of only five

games. The competition [among players] is so tough, you've got to be at your best for

the first round, you can't play your way into the

Costa's rise since being an outstanding junior has been rapid. Inspired as a boy when

watching McEnroe on tele-vision, he has move aggres-

sively through the singles

ranking during three years at

a threatening rate: from 221 in

1993, then 52, then 24, and now

17. This season has seen him defeat Thomas Muster on clay, and he is one of the most

improved players in the game. Yet while Chang was san-

guine in defeat. Costa came off

court seeming bemused by his

own success, unsure what should be his tactical ap-

proach to the second round. The pair had met in the first

round two years ago, Chang

Costa said, looking slightly puzzled. "What do I do? Hit

big serves, go to the net? I want to think just day by day. I

know I need to be more

aggressive. I played good in

the last game, and was lucky

though it seems he has been

around a decade or more. reached the Wimbledon quar-

ter-final in 1994. Such is the

breadth of reward available to

players these days, he did not seem too dismayed by yester-

Initially I had difficulty

because my serve was on and off," he said. "I had opportuni-

ties to break him, but couldn't

convert them and that makes

a big difference on grass, where it's easier to hold your

own service. In '94 l played

from the back almost the

whole time, but I don't consid-

er there's any surface I can't

play on. Otherwise there's no

The unhappy Courier, twice champion of both Australia

and France, looked as uncom-

fortable as a boules player from a dust and pebble car

park in the Bois de Boulogne,

alongside Roland Garros,

suddenly finding himself on a

bowling lawn at Budleigh

sense to come."

day's reverse.

he made two double faults." Chang, himself only 24

"I don't know my feelings,"

winning in straight sets.

At Wimbledon

Wimbledon in 1992, has also won the US Open in 1994 and the Australian Open last year. The fall of Chang on the

same court earlier was also remarkable. Alberto Costa from Barcelona, 21 today was playing only his fourth tournament on grass, and when last week he lost at Nottingham to Greg Rusedski his lack of coherence had been embar-



Photograph

he swept Chang aside by 3-6, 7-6, 7-6, 6-4 in two and three quarter hours.

Courier, Wimbledon finalist in 1993 and former holder of four grand slam titles, was never in the hunt against his compatriot and friend. Jona-than Stark, ranked 130, who won 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 on No 3 Court. But Courier shook his head in helpless resignation as his rival's string of winners went fizzing past him down the lines.

Both Sampras and Boris

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Flach shows his determination in stretching to make a return during his sensational victory over Agassi on No 2 Court yesterday.

Salterton. He could do little more than blink as Stark - a powerful striker of 6ft 2in, who last year won the mixed doubles with Martina Navratilova having met her only five minutes before their first match, raced to a 6-2, 5-1 lead. Courier's game was utterly capsized, and though he punched back a few fierce returns to recover to 5-4 he surrendered the second set

and then the fourth. Sampras for a while looked sluggish on a Centre Court as luxuriant as I have every seen it. Almost every foot placement left an imprint as if on wet sand. Little Reneberg, whose 5ft 11in tend to leave him seeming undersized against opponents whose physical stature grows year by year, hit some marvellous service returns.

"He was returning my second serve like it was nothing," Sampras reflected ruefully afterwards. "Then I settled and started to play really well. There was a little panic, I was very concerned momentarily when he broke me in the second set," The panic subsided as Sampras won 4-6, 6-4, 6-



Costa in aggressive form as he topples Chang

Venables takes a wary view of Germany's vexed preparations

THE baiting chants, the songs about "two World Wars and one World Cup", were echoing across the crowded platforms at Wembley Central station within an hour of England's victory over Spain on Saturday. Yesterday, the heavy artillery of the tabloids went to 2 Miscellaneous objects (4-1work with their dismissal of "Fritz", mock addresses from war bunkers and cartoons of England players in tin hats. The mobilisation against Germany is well and truly Metal (of Oz Woodman) (3) under way. 11 Eg actor's words spoken to

It has taken hold in subtler forms, too. It is there in our desperation not to tempt fate by acknowledging that England might be the favourites against a German team for the first time since 1970; that, at last, we can recreate the glories of 1966 in the best possible way, by beating Germany again just as we did

30 years ago. More than anything it is there in our suspicion that Jürgen Klinsmann, the most feared of Germany strikers, is indulging in some intricate subterfuge, pretending that he has torn a calf muscle and that he will not be fit for tomorrow's semi-final, while all the time he is planning a grand and morale-sapping return that will turn English faces

Limping and forlorn as he traipsed through Heathrow

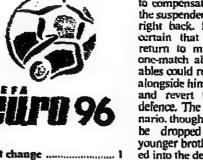
categorically that he would not play at Wembley. "I am definitely out of the match against England," he said. "It looks like the European championship is finished for me. I do maybe have a little bit of hope if we get to the final but I have no chance for Wednesday." Those begging for caution and restraint will at least feel

they have been vindicated by the news from the England training camp that Paul Gascoigne. Teddy Sheringham. Tony Adams and Darren Anderton were all forced to Rob Hughes miss training yesterday for the Sammer's threat second day in succession, all suffering from injuries picked they matter and leaving apup against Spain.

The session was closed to the media yesterday but there was little alarm in the voice of the official relaying reports from the front, and, on Sunday, Venables seemed confident all would be fit. Adams's knee needs rest between games, Anderton is taking no chances with a tight hamstring, Sheringham has a dead leg and Gascoigne has a strained ankle, but nothing in the same league as the injuries that have already befallen

It is hard to believe, in short, that things are coming right for England because the Germans have made an art-form of peaking just in time for major championships, always grinding out the results when

Jamie Redknapp and Steve



Day by day guide ...

parent form-teams clutching at the delusions of vulnerability they had dared to entertain. They have this knowledge of how to approach and play games they are coming into." Venables said yesterday. They always seem to come out just on the right side all the

time. It is a fine line, but they cross it and they make sure they succeed. You always know what sort of system the Germans will be playing because they stick to it but they will still make you take difficult decisions during the game. Their players force opponents into a decision of: 'Are you coming

with me or not? If it is a very

Venables spent much of yesterday grappling with how to compensate for the loss of the suspended Gary Neville at right back. It seems almost certain that Paul Ince will return to midfield after his one-match absence and Venables could retain David Platt alongside him and Gascoigne, and revert to a three-man defence. The more likely scenario, though, is that Platt will be dropped and Neville's younger brother. Philip. drafted into the defence.

Perhaps it will increase our paranoia, our fears of some sort of ambush, but even Franz Beckenbauer, the Germany coach in the 1990 World Cup finals, is leaning towards an English victory. "We still have a good team but Jürgen is a key player," Beckenbauer said. "Germany deserves to be in the semifinals but the English team have really improved with their performances and in front of their own crowd they are probably the favourites."

Venables laughed it all off, sticking to his mantra of taking one match at a time, keeping his eyes on the prize of the final, endeavouring to stay downbeat right to the bitter end. Even when somebody suggested the Football Association might give him a clock as a present when he leaves the job after our involvement in the tournament is over, he was ready with his answer. "! bet it's not working," he said.



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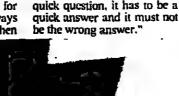
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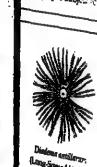
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How West's envoys were trapped in

"SLEEP Nato" used to be the injunction about sexual liai-sons issued to Western embassy personnel by security chiefs. All too often, however, the maxim was ignored - to the delight of KGB spies and the consternation of Western diplomats, politicians and sol-diers who had fallen into the "honeytrap".

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Soviet entrapment tech-niques usually involved at-tempts at seduction so transparent that they became standing jokes. But the techniques sometime worked, even at the highest level. The commonest ploy was to use the Russian women locally employed in Moscow embassies to strike up relationships with their bosses.

Two ambassadors were mus entrapped, in 1968 Sir Geoffrey Harrison was recalled after his liaison with the embassy maid was discovered. The incident happened at the time of the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia. and it was widely assumed that Britain had withdrawn its ambassador in protest.

A French ambassador was similarly compromised, and summoned back to Paris where President de Gaulle asked to see him. He was taken in to the Elysee, and after a long silence de Gaulle looked up at him. "Alors," he said icily, "on couche?"

Entrapment was usually a prelude to blackmail and an attempt to persuade a Western diplomat or military attache to



for silence. It was most spectacularly successful with John Vassall, the junior naval anache in Moscow in 1954-56, who was blackmailed after being photographed in a compremising situation with another man. He regularly handed over documents to the Russians after his return to Britain until his arrest in 1902. A Conservative MP and

former intelligence officer also had his career ruined by sexual scandal. Commander Anthony Courtney, sent to Moscow as the deputy head of the British Naval Mission in 1941, rose to become head of the Russian section of naval intelligence and on retirement in 1953 became an agent for firms dealing with the Soviet

He was befriended by a glamorous Intourist official during his business trips, the KGB photographed their bed-

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room trysts, and the subsequent row led to his divorce

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There were several unpub-licised cases of student leaders. Western military attachés and businessmen being lured into sexual encounters with women or men working for the KGB. Most were quietly withdrawn, or ordered to leave. More recently, the Russians played upon the frustra-tions and loneliness of the US Marine Guard at the American Embassy, where they recruited a marine to hand over documents.

Scrgeant Clayton Lonetree, who was released from prison in America last week, was seduced between 1984 and 1986 by a Soviet woman working as a secretary in the American Embassy. He was persuaded to allow KGB spies to enter the building and gain access to the names of Soviet citizens on the CIA payroll.



Russian fans of Deep Purple at the Dinamo Stadium in Moscow, where the veteran British heavy rock band topped the bill at an all-day concert

Berlin becomes new front line in anti-Nato battle

espionage, has again become a hive of Russian soies who are bugging visiting businessmen, shadowing and recruiting as if Len Deighton and John le Carré were still

writing the script.
Eduard Vermander, chief of Berlin's counter-espionage authority, says that Russian spying in the city is on the increase, especially for Ger-man economic and scientific

A report for the federal German counter-espionage agency backs up Herr Vermander and says that Russian agents are mopping up intelligence about electronics, information technology, computer developments and biotechnology. Western optical security technology — which can track signal traffic appears to be a priority.

The overall strategic aim,

apart from gleaning informa-tion useful to the modernisation of the Russian economy and armed forces, is

BERLIN, Cold War capital of Europe into Nato. This was set as the top goal by Yevgen Primakov, the former KGB chief and now President Yeltsin's Foreign Minister.

The targets may be new but the methods are all too familiar. According to Herr Berlin can no longer be certain that their conversations on hotel telephones are secure. Those working in sensitive industries should also beware of being dragged into "compromising situations", the counter-espionage expert said.

Under diplomatic cover, members of the Russian Embassy have been wining and dining scientific experts, businessmen and political anaattempts have been spotted at industrial trade fairs: Russians were particularly thick on the ground at the recent international air show.

For agent communication, which is usually directly with Moscow, radio signals and socalled dead letter boxes are counter-espionage report says

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Clinton wins delay in Paula Jones sex harassment suit

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT CLINTON enjoyed a rare respite from the scandals besetting his White House yesterday when the Supreme Court put Paula Jones's sexual harassment lawsuit on hold until after November's election.

The court agreed to hear arguments by Mr Clinton's lawyers that civil lawsuits against sitting presidents should be delayed until after they leave office in all but the most exceptional cases. The hearing will be later this year, and the court will not deliver its ruling until long after the

Ms Jones has accused Mr Clinton of luring her up to his hotel room and propositioning her when he was Arkansas Governor. Mr Clinton has denied her allegations, and the court's decision prevents the episode coming to a head just as the country goes to the polis this autumn.

Mr Clinton suffered further embarrassment from the case only last month when his lawyers suggested in their petition to the court that Mr Clinton, as commander-inchief of America's armed forces, should enjoy the same protection from civil lawsuits as active-duty servicemen.

Mike McCurry, the White House spokesman, said Mr Clinton was told of the court's decision while attending a conference on family values in Tennessee and was "pleased". Ms Jones's lawyers said the

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Jones: hotel allegations

delay would prevent them "collecting evidence before memories fade, documents are lost and witnesses die or become incapable of testitying". Ms Jones's lawyers have reportedly approached Mr Clinton's lawyers about a possible settlement under which she would abandon her lawsuit if the President's insurance company paid her legal fees and he agreed to acknowledge meeting her. The White House said no.

On other fronts the news for him was less good, Capitol Hill's Republicans are threatening to cite the White House for contempt of Congress unless it surrenders by tomorrow the remaining 2,000 pages of "Travelgate" documents subpoenaed by a House committee. Last month the White House reluctantly produced

1,000 pages concerning the 1993 dismissal of its travel office staff but claimed the rest were protected by executive privilege. Those 1,000 pages contained a due that exposed "Filegate" - the White House's improper acquisition of FBI files on 407 Republican

Mr McCurry also disclosed that Mr Clinton was "very angry" at the White House's continued inability to answer key questions about the files. being investigated by Kenneth Starr, the Whitewater special prosecutor.

One unanswered question concerns the provenance of the list of Republican officials whose files the White House Office of Personnel Security requested. The Secret Service has denied White House claims it provided it.

Another question is how Craig Livingstone, a low-level political operative and former restaurant bouncer, came to head the office and who authorised him to request the files. A third is whether information from the files was put to any political use.

Cover-up suspected: Most Americans believe President Clinton did something illegal in the Whitewater affair, according to a Harris poll. It showed 52 per cent are convinced he is guilty of criminal behaviour in his failed 1970s Whitewater land deal and 56 per cent believe he is trying to hide it. (AFP)



US set for summer scandals

By MARTIN FLETCHER

FOR American conservatives this promises to be a glorious summer of disciosures about President and Mrs Clinton. ranging from the plausible to

ooks for the beach, the right wingers and conspiracy theorists who have never accepted the legitimacy of Mr Clin-ton's 1992 election will be spoilt for choice.

Will it be David Brock's The Seduction of Hillary Clinton, which, according to the New York Post, will "blow the lid off the First Lady's sex life"? Mr Brock is the journalist who first reported the charges of rampant infidelity levelled against Mr Clinton ards. He has now turned his delicate journalistic atten-tions to Mrs Clinton.

Another offering will be Boy Clinton: The Political Biography by Emmett Tyrrell, editor of the ultra-conservative American Spec tator magazine. Mr Tyrrell concludes that the young Clintons were so far to the Left that in an earlier era they fellow travellers. "It is just not true he is a lifelong redblooded American." Mr

President braced for G7 furore over Cuba trade

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT CLINTON is prepared for a showdown with his allies at the summit of the Group of Seven leading industrialised nations this week over America's efforts to curb global trade with Cuba. Libya and Iran.

His economic aides in Washington signalled yester-day there would be no backing down when Mr Clinton meets other G7 leaders in Lyons. The American moves have

caused anger in Canada, Japan and Europe. Last week, European Union leaders meeting in Florence threatened to retaliate against US legislation that would impose economic penalties on foreign companies investing in the three "rogue states".

The Europeans gave a warning of their "deep concera" over the provision already signed into law by Mr Clinton to punish foreign firms investing or trading in Cuban properties that were confiscated after Fidel Castro came to power. The law has provisions for suing the companies in American courts and barring their executives from

The EU was also upset by pending legislation in Congress that would penalise forment to, or investing more than \$40 million a year in, the Iranian or Libyan oil industries. The sanctions would include a ban on the companies' products in the US and limits on loans to them by American banks.

The G7 allies say they share Mr Clinton's aims of halting international terrorism by Iran and Libya, but object to the US imposition of a secondary boycott similar to that imposed by Arab states against companies trading with Israel, which the US fiercely opposed.

The Americans are accused of being high-handed and of using their economic clout to dictate a world trade policy that ought to be decided by consensus among nations.

Daniel Tarutto, assistant to Mr Clinton for economic polisaid there should be no doubt about the Administration's resolve. "The President is quite clear that it is imperative for the world community to take action to contain these countries which are threats to peace and democracy," he

continue a "critical dialogue" with Iran, which is now desperate for Western investUN sanctions do not affect foreign-owned ventures, but the new proposals would.

There are signs that America's unilateral application of trade restrictions is having its effect. A survey by Business Week magazine found that Broken Hill Proprietary of Australia may drop a £1 billion (£650 million) pipeline from Iran to Pakistan, and Royal Dutch Shell may reconsider a proposal to develop an Iranian offshore field. Italy's state-owned energy company. ENI, is said to lear that the proposed law would disrupt its huge project to pipe Libyan

gas to Europe. The tough legislation was crafted by Republicans in Congress, but Mr Clinton may reap some electoral advantage from it by confronting the other G7 powers on a matter

of principle over profits. He also intends to use the Lyons gathering to claim success in promoting económic growth and creating jobs. In a speech last week, he criticised relatively high unemployment in Europe and said that during his term in office the G7 million jobs - 9.7 million of them in the United States. That's something to be proud

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Athens: Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Socialist former Prime Minister who died on Sunday, will be buried with honours usually reserved for a head of state.

His funeral will take place tomorrow and he will be buried next to his father. George, a former Prime Minister. A military procession will accompany the cortège and public services will be closed for the day. AFP) Leading article, page 21

Baby sale arrest

New York: A Canadian woman has been arrested for running an international baby-selling operation (Tom Rhodes writes). She is said to have sold Hungarian infants for as much as £55,000.

Ouebec clash

Quebec City: Two police offi-cers were injured in running battles with youths an 80 people were arrested after 2,000 revellers at Quebec national day festivities rioted in the Canadian city. (Reuter)

Ethiopia 'plot'

Addis Abaha: An Ethiopian intelligence agency says it has broken up a clandestine group planning to overthrow the year-old Government of Meles Zenawi and has arrested Taye Woldesemayat, its leader. (AP)

Pakistan tax riot

Karachi: Three people died when hundreds of demonstrators demanding withdrawal of harsh new govern-ment taxes clashed with police in Rawalpindi, six miles from Islamabad, Pakistan's capital.

Camp closes

Kusla Lumpur: Sungei Besi, the last Vietnamese refugee camp in Malaysia, will close today. The last group of 100 refugees is going home under the United Nations voluntary repatriation programme. (AP)



A view of Bill Clinton's difficulties by Moir in The Sydney Morning Herald Tyrrell said of the President. Arab summit fails to soften Israeli line

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

WARREN CHRISTOPHER, Mubarak and Yassir Arafat, the American Secretary of State, returns to the Middle East today at a time when the gap between Israel and the Arabs on future peace talks

Conditions laid down by the 21 members of the Arab League at their weekend summit in Cairo continue to sour the atmosphere with Israel's right-wing Government. Tomorrow, Mr Christopher will meet President

the Palestinian leader who has been cold-shouldered by the new Israeli administration of Binyamin Netanyahu. American officials are also planning a trip to Syria.

that it soften its attitude in advance of renewed peace talks, David Levy, the Foreign Minister, told Israel radio: The version of the other side that Israel must make total

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withdrawal and divide Jerusalem ... and dismantle settlements ... is not acceptable to us." Speaking in Paris, Zevulun Hammer, an Israeli Deputy Prime Minister, ruled out the granting of more power to the Palestinians: Reinforcing Israel's initial rejection of the Arab demands This Government will not

accept a Palestinian state. Our position is that they should have autonomy but not a

Mr Hammer hinted that Israel is also thinking of watering down its committments to withdraw from the occupied West Bank city of Hebron, a pledge that was negotiated by the previous RUSSIAN ELECTIONS Labour administration but On 3rd July, 1996 there will be a second round of the elections of the President of the Russian Federation. delayed until after the election. Palestianians claim any such change will prompt a new intifada. Russian citizens visiting Britain or permanently resident here have Russian Guzens visiting Britain or permanently resident here have the right to participate. Voting will take place at the Embassy of the Russian Federation, 15 Kensington Palace Gardens, London W8 4QX (tel: 0171-229-3628), at the Trade Delegation, 32 Highgute West Hill, London N6 6NL (tel: 0181-340-1907) and at the Russian Consulate General, 58 Melville Street, Edinburgh EH3 7HL (tel: 0131-225-7098) from 8.00 a.m. until 10 p.m.

"It is possible that the Israel Defence Force may want to occupy strategic points in Hebron even after the city is ruled by the Arabs," Mr Hammer said, "Maybe the army's presence in a few houses where there are Jews

Ithe original deal negotiated by the former Prime Minister, Shimon Peresl will not suffice to ensure the security of Jewish settlers and we will have to find new means so that Jews can live safely in Hebron." At present 450 Jews.

Jerusalem: America will soon send a prototype of a laser anti-missile defence system to Israel for tests. a Defence Ministry spokes man said yesterday. The Nautilus system, financed mainly by the US. is designed to shield Israel from Katyusha rockets fired by Islamic guerrillas in Lebanon. (Reuter)

mostly supporters of Mr Netanyahu, live in the city

surrounded by more than emphasised that one purpose of Mr Christopher's trip will be to lay groundwork for Mr

Netanyahu's inaugural visit

to Washington next month. Observers believe that the American team will be trying to mend fences after the public support given by the Clinton Administration to Mr

According to Israel-based diplomats, Mr Netanyahu was previously scarcely on speaking terms with the State Department's top Middle East policy Dennis Ross. co-ordinator.

In Gaza yesterday. Mr Arafat appeared to gain heart from the Arab summit's warning to Israel that any reconsideration of peace promises would be met in kind. "The Arah summit conference was very fruitful, very important and it was a very strong platform to recover Arab unity and solidarity. " he said.

But the right-wing Jerusalem Post took a very different view. "The threatening tone of summit statement does not augur well for serious negotiations between Israel and her Arab neighbours," it

Japan sect leader's accuser 'in fear'

FROM ROBERT WHYMANT IN TOKYO

THE woman who shocked Japan by accusing Daisaku Ikeda, the supreme leader of the nine-million-strong Soka Gakkai sect, of assault and rape, spoke yesterday of the dangers she faces in taking on the nation's largest Buddhist organisation.

"I live in fear." said Nobuko Nobuhira. 69, a former follower of Soka Gakkai who filed a suit against Mr Ikeda this month. "I get piles of abusive mail, 40 or so 'silent' phone calls every day. My apartment is under surveillance around the clock. I suppose they hope I will be driven to commit

Mrs Nobuhira claims in her suit that Mr Ikeda, the most powerful politico-religious figure in Japan, raped her on three occasions between 1973 and 1991 during visits to the northern city of Hakodate.

in a statement yesterday, Soka Gakkai International said the accusations by Mrs who is also suing Mr Ikeda for damages, were groundless and completely [abricated". Explaining why she took nearly five years after the last alleged incident to file the suit, Mrs Nobuhira said she had dreaded the effect the claim

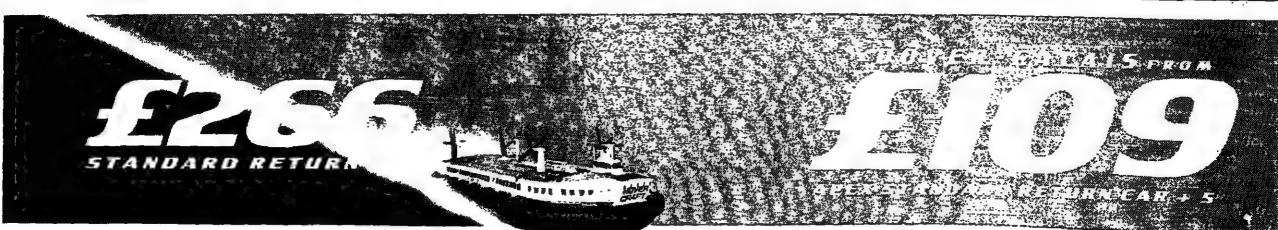
Nobuhira and her husband

would have on her husband, and ailing parents, whom she had recruited for the organisation. "I could not bring myself to confess to my husband for a very long time." she For 36 years Mrs Nobuhira said she had devoted herself to

the sect, and had agonised before deciding to sue Mr Ikeda, who is worshipped by the Soka Gakkai faithful. The organisation is able to mobilise followers at election

times to vote for its affiliated Clean Government Party, Last year it was responsible for about half the 12.5 million votes won by the opposition alliance to which it belongs.

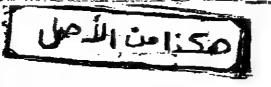




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. Kabul's Mr Fixit maps a way out of the morass

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Two more rockets followed. a thin cloud of smoke rising through the trees on the far side of Wazir Akbar Khan. where President Rabbani has a well sandbagged house. No doubt that was part of the attraction for the Taleban gunners who have been unsuccessfully besieging Kabul for more than a year. I had just come from the Taleban capi-tal, Kandahar, which by contrast was peaceful. But it was the calm of the grave, I felt, whereas Kabul, for all its problems, is vibrant.

Problems it has in plenty not only the rockers that kill and maim people almost every day. Inflation is rampant. A meal for three in, admittedly, the best kebab house cost me 60,000 afghanis — \$4 at the current rate of exchange while a doctor or teacher makes only 80,000 or 90,000 afghanis a month. Cases of suffering and deprivation are

But I detected a new optimism and self-confidence in the man who runs the Kabul Government. Mr Rabbani may be President, but Ahmad Shah Masood, although he holds no official post, is the real power behind the throne. if anyone can unite the Afghans, and it may be an impossible task, it is more likely to be Mr Masood than



Sandy Gall reports from Kabul on Ahmad Shah Masood, the power behind the throne who hopes to form a coalition government

anyone else. He has a plan and the energy to pursue it. In the course of the next few days, two meetings, and a long talk, I watched him trying to implement stage one of his plan: the formation of a coalition government, which would then draw up a constitution

He has already got his former arch-enemy. Gulbud-

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not to hold on to power in Kabul, but rather to allow the people to decide 🤊

din Hekmatyar, the Pushtun leader, to agree to be Prime Minister, with defence and finance thrown in for good measure. I suggested that that may be a risky if not reckless gamble. Mr Masood does not e it like that.

Like Stalin's jibe about the Pope, he asks how many divisions Mr Hekmatyar has. The answer is hardly any now,

to Mr Masood is considerable.

lavourite of the Americans and the Pakistanis been per-suaded to change sides, but by doing so he has split the old and dangerous alliance with the northern warlord, General Abdul Rashid Dostum. One evening, on a terrace facing the snowcapped peaks of the Hindu Kush, overlook-

Not only has the former

ing the Shomali plain where Mr Masood once fought the Russians, I saw him deep in conversation with a group of Kandahari commanders opponents of Taleban — and a prominent member of the moderate Gailani Party. Syed Salman Gailani, who was the Alghan Forcign Minister for a short time in 1992. Mr Gailani told me afterwards that there were few real differences between their two parties and he was confident that they could

Mr Masond, who works an 8-hour day, has been talking to most of the other parties as well. Only two, for the time being at least, are considered impossible bedfellows, the Taleban and General Dostum. But as Mr Ghafoorsai, his foreign affairs adviser and Deputy Foreign Minister, put it to me: "Mestiri [the former UN special envoy] made the sensus. We are trying to get a majority of the political parties together in a coalition.

A couple of days later, sitting in a garden fragram with the scent of rosus and honeysuckle, Mr Masood described his plan to me in detail. In stage one, lasting six to 12 months, with President Rabbani still in office, the coalition government would set up various commissions: one to draft a new constitution. a second to plan a national army a third to deal with national security.

A Loya Jirgah (the traditional Grand National Assembly) would be called. In stage two. President Rabbani would resign. Once a ceasefire has been would ratify the constitution, implement the plans for national security and a national army and, very important, "prepare the ground for elec-tions". Mr Masood said: "Our idea is not to hold on to power. but to allow the people to Later, after dinner, Mr

Masood listened raptly while a friend recited Hafez, a Persian poet of the 14th century, joining in from time to time. But then the Afghans, as has been said, are fundamentally a nation of poets. ☐ Embassy plan: Alexander Obolov, Moscow's special Am-

bassador to Afghanistan, has arrived in Kabul to examine the possibility of reopening the Russian Embassy for the first



Ahmad Shah Masood: he appears more able to unite the warring factions in Afghanistan than anyone else

Canberra to review killings

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

THE Australian Government will this week unveil the results of an investigation into the deaths of six journalists. including two Britons, killed during Indonesia's invasion of East Timor 21 years ago.

Alexander Downer, the Foreign Minister, told parliament yesterday that the report, which was ordered by the Labor Government last year, would be both comprehensive fully considered.

The guarantee came after concern expressed by Shirley Shackleton, a widow of one of the dead men. Mrs Shackleton said she had photographs of a burial ceremony which Australian Embassy officials claimed was the burial of the reporters, but there was only one coffin. "I want that coffin exhumed, I want to know what's in it," she said.

☐ Jakarta: Megawati Sukarnoputri, daughter of the late President Sukarno, was deposed as the leader of Indonesia's opposition Democratic Party at a congress in north Sumatra. (Reuter)

Hasina pledge to foster Bangladesh democracy

FROM REUTER IN DHAKA

THE new Bangladeshi Prime Minister, Sheikha Hasina Wajed, yesterday promised sweeping administrative and economic reforms aimed at giving democracy a permanent footing in the country.

The policies of privatisation and free market economy will continue. State-run radio and television will be granted autonomy and local governments will be strengthened," she said in a broadcast. conomic reionns would tinue, but measures would be taken to protect local industries against growing competi-

tion, she said. Terrorism would be tackled with a heavy hand, she added. "The press will enjoy freedom. government-owned newspapers will be privatised and the administration will be made free from corruption. But no action will be taken against anyone out of vengeance," Sheikha Hasina said.

Taking office, she promised to foster multiparty democracy in a nation which has been run by the military for much of its 25-year history. We have set the goals . . . and will strive to achieve them with the help of all parties, who I believe will work together for common causes.

"One of the first priorities of my Government is to curb terrorism at all levels and improve law and order," she Terrorists, no maner which party or group they belong to, will be arrested and punished to establish rule of



Hasina: portrait not to be put on display

President Biswas swore in Sheikha Hasina and her 19 ministers at a ceremony at the presidential palace on Sunday after her Awami League, out of power since 1975, won the most seats in the 300-strong partiament in elections on

The league won 146 seats against 116 for the Bangladesh Nationalist Party of Begum Khaleda Zia, the former Prime

inet meeting yesterday and issued directives that no government or private office should display her portrait Instead, they should put up pictures of her father, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, who led Bangladesh to independence from Pakistan in 1971, officials said. He was killed with most of his family in a 1975 coup.

Begum Khaleda did not attend Sunday's swearing-in for the new Government but wished her rival success. For her part, Sheikha Hasina has been careful not to provoke the opposition. "Let us work united for democracy," she said.

Guerrillas say Pol Pot still alive

Pailin: Pol Pot, the elusive leader of Cambodia's Khmer Rouge army, is still alive and playing a leading role in running the radical guerrilla group, Khmer Rouge officials said.

"He is still alive and travels from base to base giving moral support to the comrades," said Colonel Aran, the deputy command-er of the Khmer Rouge in the west of the countr

Rumours that Pol Pot had died of malaria in the jungle began circulating in month. (Renter)

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Rifkind tells Nigerian junta to speed democratic reforms

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

MALCOLM RIFKIND joined foreign ministers from seven other Commonwealth countries in a confrontation yesterday with Torn Ikimi, their Nigerian counterpart, who argued that his country was moving far enough along the road to democracy and should not be subject to Commonwealth sanctions

As the two days of talks began in London, Nigeria freed two political detainees. Tunji Abayomi, a rights activst and lawyer for General Olusegun Obasanjo, a former head of state, and Abdul Oroh. director of the Civil Liberties

Organisation, Commonwealth sources made clear that this gesture did not go far enough. The eight ministers in the Commonwealth Action Group are pressing for the release of all political detainees, including Chief Moshood Abiola, supposed winner of the 1993 presidential election, whose wife Kudirat was murdered last month, and an accelerated timetable for a return to democracy.

Mr Ikind, heading a 16-man delegation, said curily that "democracy has already been restored" as he went in for the

waved banners and chanted slogans against the Nigerian military Government After his release. Mr Abayomi complained he had had no access to his family since his arrest last July. Two weeks ago, Nigeria promised to review the cases of political detainees when it accepted a report by a United Nations rights group.

Baroness Chalker of Wallasey, the Overseas Development Minister, joined the discussions of the Commonwealth ministers, led by Stan Mudenge of Zimbabwe, in the afternoon. A final session will

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PERSONAL CRISIS

here is an old quote from somewhere that sums up my feeling on belief. "Religion is for people who want to avoid going to Hell. Spirituality is for those who have already been there."

As a child I grew up Church of England. At Sudeley Castle my family have always been involved in the local religious community. I was brought up to feel that I should support the local church and subscribe to its customs and beliefs. I went to prep school at Ludgrove, where we had to go to church three times a week, but I found it a bit of a bore. God was presented as very judgmental — a man with a huge white beard who was like an angry schoolmaster. It was instilled in me that if I didn't do what I was told, this God figure would come down and do something horrible.

By the time I was a teenager I had rejected that idea. Although I was confirmed at the age of 14, I had begun to notice which boys at school were joining the Church. In my opinion they were the wet, sheep-like boys, who didn't want to be individual or question the religious principles on offer. The cool and hip people — the ones wanted to be like - just

weren't interested. By 16. I considered religion to be a garbled load of mumbo-jumbo that had lost its real message. It irritated me. I continued to go to church at home to avoid rocking the boat, but I felt like a hypocrite.

everything changed. I got into drugs — cannabis, cocaine and heroin — and they brought me to my knees. I began taking them because I thought that they would turn living into a breeze and remove the small irritations of everyday life. I felt there was some kind of void in my life and was sure drugs would fill the gap.

As an alcoholic and junkie, I elieved only in the bottle and the joint. They became a power far greater than myself, which totally controlled me. I realised that when, at 18. I tried to give them up. I found instead that I was imprisoned by them. I made promises to myself to achieve in other parts of my life, but the drugs always got in the way. That time was an era of total spiritual bankruptcy for me. I had a complete lack of hope or desire to continue my life. Normally, if you are in a desperate situation, you do



try to retain some sense of there being a light at the end of the tunnel, but I felt nothing but

In the end my friends tried anything to give me back some kind of belief, so that I could reach for something beyond despair and chaos. I went to the States and in Minnesota I met a Catholic priest called Father MacLeod. He taught me that once you force open the door that recognises happiness, it will open wider on its own.

I looked at the aspects of my life that made me feel bad. Frankly, I was just sick and tired of feeling sick and tired, and of letting everybody down. That helped me to

give up the drugs and drink instead I tried to 'I was sure lead a life in which I wasn't constantly abusing myself.
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tuality is exactly about finding good things in your life. It's not a trendy appendage you can suddenly add to your life. It's about making slow, gentle changes to your behaviour. I am angered by the guilt which accompa-

nies the saying that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than it is for a rich man to get through the gates of heaven. I certainly have felt immense guilt about my own money. But learning that abundance has so many definitions makes it easier to deal with. Also living in the States, where there is a real ethic to better oneself, rather than feeling constantly guilty about what you have. has helped me a great deal. In America there are plenty of wealthy and successful people who also lead dedicated spiritual lives.

I meditate for about half an hour each day. I use the Kundalini method, which is part of the Seikh oldest forms of meditation. You sit down and repeat a mantra to yourself. I don't chant out loud or anything like that. I just try not to let my thoughts interfere with the mantra. This stops your mind racing. In the West we are preoccupied with being successful. But the real test is to be able to cope when nothing is going your way.

HENRY DENT-BROCKLEHURST



Henry Dent-Brocklehurst partying with Liz Hurley: drink and drugs once led him to spiritual bankruptcy

A divine plan for all of us

-- MY CHRISTIAN FAITH --

believe that God has a plan for every human being, and that the way to discover it is by putting our lives into His hands. I hold to that belief not for any high-flown "spiritual" reason, but simply because ! have found, by experience, that I came upon these, to me,

preposterous notions as it seemed by chance, when I was doing National Service in the RAF in Singapore and believed in no god but Success. Their agent was a cheerful, disturbing eccentric whose life had been changed by his contact with Moral Rearmament (he is now a Church of Scotland minister). He had already disturbed a number of other officers in the Mess with his curious ideas, and duly proceeded to disturb me, first by questioning whether ambition was really a good thing and then by informing me that I was quite the most selfcentred person he had ever met. I responded by throwing a bar of soap at him.

One memorable evening, be invited me, as he put it, to "listen to God". Mistaking my horrified silence for consent, he presented me with a piece of paper, suggested that I measure my life against the absolute moral standards of Jesus honesty, purity, unselfishness and love - and write down anything that occurred to me.

To my utter astonishment, a flood of totally novel and unexpected thoughts poured into my mind — all of them, unfortunately, extremely pertinent and all of them requiring action. From somewhere, I knew not where, I was told that I was a dictator on the cricket field (I was the local RAF captain) and should apologise to my team; that I'd become a snob when I went up to Oxford and should

put it right with my parents; and so on for three quarters of an hour and a page and a half.

Oddly, having begun in total doubt and embarrassment, it: never occurred to me not to obey what I had been told. I just feit a great lightness of beart and the sense of a gate into a new world swinging open before me. One concrete result of the apology to the team was that the three rawboned Australians in it began calling me "Sir", a title they had not accorded to any RAF officer

And that, apart from one prolonged hiccup during the 1960s, is the basis on which I have tried to live for the past 40 years. God told me very clearly - it is the only time I have ever heard anything like a voice — that He wanted me to become a journalist. So I took a job as a trainee sub-editor in Edinburgh on a distinctly Scottish salary at a time when, during the palmy 1950s, much plusher posts were on offer.

It is so simple, so practical, so concrete. The Holy Spirit is the guide, restitution the road, freedom the glorious gift. The price is daily obedience to the Inner Voice. This sometimes does require a modest amount of courage. After I had had a mild flirtation with another woman in the 1960s, that Voice told me to apologise to my wife. I did so with tears. Then came the thought: "And now tell your mother-in-law." The Holy Spirit. has a mordant sense of humour.

We are all such fools. I have simply been a lucky fool in that a courageous friend showed me the way to freedom. The Holy: Spirit is never silent. And God is always merciful

GRAHAM TURNER The author writes for the Daily

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Why a Norfolk marshman lost the will to live

MEDICINE AND BELIEF

PATTENTS' faith is important, whether it is faith in God, the doctor, or the therapeutic ritual which is a feature of many types of complementary medicine. With the help of faith, the sufferer views his or her troubles with optimism; in consequence the immune system, if not actually boosted, is not

Patients inspired by faith notice their dence seems to suggest that they also live rather longer. Maintaining enthusiasm for life in general, and a firm belief in the efficacy of any treatment prescribed, is part of the role of any good doctor. If there is no faith in the pills prescribed, the radiotherapy administered or the surgery performed, cases will be missed, appointments cancelled and recovery will be slower.

Belief in an afterlise makes a marked difference to how death is approached. It is noticeable how patients who belonged in childhood (even if their faith later lapsed) to a religion which preached an aftertife, die more contentedly than those hought up without

The advantages of having a firm faith may be hard to define. future is all too obvious. When I first started practice in a rural part of Norfolk, I had a marshman as a patient. The old man earned a precarious living tending the cat-tle and caring for the drainage ditches. Self-sufficient, independent, he rare-

ly saw anybody to talk to from dawn to dusk, and even in the evenings his only close friend was his long-suffering wife, with

whom he shared a lonely cottage.

Eventually osteoarthritis made work impossible and he retired to a smart new



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council house in the local market town. The marshman, divorced from the open skies and open wetlands, immediately took to his bed and announced that he was dying. The patient continued to eat, had no localising symptoms. not even those of some obvious depressive state, and no physical signs, but the consultant physician who had lived in the neighbourhood for years and who came to see him had no doubt that the

patient's own prognosis was correct. The marshman, he said, had been separated from the only life he knew, and had turned his face to the wall; he would certainly die. We never did find out why he was ill or what he died from, but he was dead within

Evidence shows that patients with malig-nant disease who capitulate to it die earlier than those who continue to live a full life. The course of any life-threatening disease is unpredictable. Most experienced doctors have known patients who rise from their deathbed after their bodies have eradicated the cancer which all but killed them, and thereafter live for many years.

lar patients and their families, it can be dispiriting for others, who may feel that if only their faith had been greater, if only they had drunk all their carrot juice or hadn't postponed admission for chemotherapy, they would not now be dying. These patients need to be reassured that the reasons for spontaneous miracle cures, and even proonged survival against unlikely odds, are often unknown, and that although determination and courage do play a part, other factors beyond any patient's control are of equal if not greater importance.

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of the ashram circuit.

Gurus have been so enraged by have been death threats made against him and the police have been placed on alert. Foul letters arrived, The Yoga Journal (an opinion-former in California) went on a war footing, and threatening telephone calls were made to the house in a quiet San Francisco street where he and Mr Hanut

Things became so bad that Harvey took the precaution of

False prophets from the East

Andrew Harvey has been a bugbear of the Right. Critics in The Spectator and elsewhere have ridiculed his fascination with Eastern religions, his adherence for 15 years to an Indian guru and a homosexuality which resulted in "marriage" to a

younger man called Eryk Hanut. The Speciator crowd asked, in despair but also perhaps with a little Schadenfreude, how one of the youngest-ever Fellows of All Souls College, a man described by one Oxford contemporary as "seamlessly, scorchingly brilliant, the Jonathan Miller of the 1970s", had gone so far off the rails.

Now, at 44, Harvey has done an about-turn. He quit his guru, the Meera, after she demanded that he marry a girl and write a book about the pleasures of heterosexuality. Instead, he has written a book attacking gurus and all they stand for — everything, in effect, which he stood for until he left the Mecra's compound in Germany.

Beefsteak Club Tories will still find plenty over which to burst their blood vessels, for Harvey remains an exotic individualist buoyant on 1960s-style idealism. He longs for "massive, worldwide civil disobedience" in protest against global warming and other environmental horrors. But his former critics will like The Return of the Mother more than his earlier books and a great deal more than did the beaded denizens

placing affidavits containing inforand key in European bank vaults.

REDISCOVERING CHRISTIANITY

Harvey speculates that the next five years will see a rush of scandals involving dishonest gurus. Many such masters, he says, are black-magicians, fraudsters and bullies. The payback? "I was denounced in the most biner terms and Eryk almost died." Amid the stress of the death threats, the 29vear-old Hanut had a cancer relapse, and when Harvey "married" him, he thought he was winding down for an early grave.

The break from Mother Meera was "devastating - my whole world fell apart". In his painful recantation, Harvey

admits it made him feel "shame when I looked at what I had done for so many years". He claims that the Meera's allies have spread lies. and yet he accepts that he was not without blame. There would be no gurus without people who to play the disciple.

Mother Meera

The Return of the Mother is a great wodge of a book, perhaps better described as a gospel to the Divine Mother, whose presence Harvey now identifies and whom he worships with Homeric sweeps of prose, littering his mantras and salaams with personal descrip-tions of visions. He preaches that unless mankind learns to address the Divine Mother, damnation will befall the world in 20 years. Like the best Presbyterian churchman, he declares: "There is not a moment to lose."

The book is a tribute to Harvey's vast reading of the Eastern religions. This can overwhelm the lay reader, and he admits that his chief problem is how to communicate his ideas succinctly.

Harvey's childhood was spent in India. Father worked in tea, with Brooke Bond, and Harvey says that his parents "have been wonderful, unshockable by my behaviour" in that English way.

They intend to move back to India shortly, to a retirement villa near a one-time Raj hill station east of Bombay, where to this day elderly Rileys ferry Brits around town, from the bandstand to the racecourse to the Young Women's Christian Association for talk and

Our driver, Ahmed, was Muslim - very thin and intense. The cook was Hindu and my ayah was Catholic. My first religious instructions were from the cook, who

was a terrific drunk but full of wise things, who told me: There are many

paths to one God." One of Harvey's chief points in The Return of the Mother is that the Divine Mother can be seen in all the great religions, perhaps nowhere more clearly than in Mary, Mother of Christ.

lt was a childhood in which people had no qualms about discussing religion, something Englishmen particularly the logicians of All Souls - find an embarrassment.

The young Andrew started to write adoring poems to Jesus when he was six, but his Indian reverie was interrupted when he was dispatched to prep school in England, followed by Sherborne and Oxford, the "concentration camp of reason", where he entered All Souls aged 21.

A friend from Oxford recalls that Harvey was unusual from the outset. One evening in 1971, at the tail end of a supper party, he was to be found striding up and down the room waving his arms as he discussed an arcane point of literature. So involved did he become that, talking all the time, he picked up a discarded boiled potato from someone's plate and

wolfed it down, not for a moment noticing that the original owner had stubbed his cigarette out in the same spud.

I could probably go back to Oxford now because I could see it as a foreign city," says Harvey. He recalls the time another powerful mother figure, Margaret Thatcher, dined at All Souls, only for a member of college to pass out drunk in front of her. Lady Thatcher showed her own powers of indifference. "She went on talking and stepped over the man's horizontal body as if nothing had happened," Harvey says in his tuneful voice. "It was wonderful."

hat comment about Oxford being a foreign city rings a false note. Harvey remains grateful to the scholastic discipline of a privileged English education, and he has not forgotten the magical cadences of Sunday matins where he sang as a Church of England choirboy.
It was these same rhythmic

attractions which drew him to Sufi mystic chants and Buddhist meditations alongside which, in his book, he repeatedly evokes the noble words of the Magnificat: "He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away."

In the warmth of a San Francis-co morning, Oxford, Sherborne and cold Anglican cloisters seem far away, yet Harvey is hungry for gossip from London and nostalgic for his roots. After his guru years he is full of laughter. "I am turning again to Christianity, and particularly to Mary," he says.

He remains unconventional, and will probably never make the Beefsteak, but in a spiritual sense, at least, Andrew Harvey is head-

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Life is a absurd sketch

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Andrew Harvey has been receiving death threats from gurus since the publication of his book

die choking on fast food, drop dead trying to get fit, go terminally insane, and that the real softies and lame dogs will die soon of what they call stress in the arms of counsellors. For myself, I believe that stress and anxiety keep a man on his toes. As for destiny. I believe that we are cars not trains and so can change our direction at almost any time.

> right. I do believe. though, that thinking can cause unhappiness and I don't believe I have ever seen a miserable-looking village idiot. Which reminds me. I believe that Tony Blair smiles too much for a future prime minister. It is not a

seemly demeanour for the captain of another Titanic. And now I believe that the cushion of the culture I was brought up to want to lean on is being pulled away. When Goering said that every time he heard the word culture it made him want to reach for



Bernard: nigh is too distant a word

his gun, he must have had some organisation like the Arts Council in mind. And 1 believe it is appalling that people. however creative, should want and expect awards for doing their jobs, especially well-heeled writers and actors. And speaking of actors, when I was a child i believed in Hollywood. I believed that a lone stranger really could ride into a town and clean it up. I believed that bad men always got their just

serts. Would it were so. Open any history book and read how so many got away with it. I believe that just desserts are dished out sparingly by God, who shows more generosity with His throwing of custard pies at his creations. His bumour is perverse, but I believe His patience with us is wear ing thin and that He is making His way back to the drawing board. In the old days in the

cinema there was a say: "This is where I came in." I wonder whether the first thing we do at birth is to cry because we are born with a feeling of deja vu. I certainly believe that we die when there

rd just isn't anything else left for us to do. I keep mentioning God, but I have no faith. I use the word to mean a kind of fate that is kind, cruel, puckish and a gigantic practical joker. When my life is at its worst, I imagine God to be a woman with an axe to grind. Why otherwise bother developing one single cell into the mess called man? You might as well invent the butterfly so you can pull off its wings.

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War crimes deserve a fair trial

Geoffrey Robertson, QC,

criticises the Hague Tribunal

headlines at the recent international conference on the Dayton accords by urging postponement of the Bosnian elections until Radovan Karadzic and General Mladic have been arrested as lleged war criminals. He further demanded that Serbia be expelled from the Olympic Games in Atlanta unless it helped to arrest the two accused men. Coming from a distinguished Italian legal academic, these comments are worth pondering: but since Professor Cassese is the Chief Justice of the Court before which the Bosnian Serb leaders are to be tried, his prosecutorial zeal poses more

serious questions. The only basis upon which the world community can demand that Mladic and Karadzic be surrendered for trial is the guarantee that they will be tried fairly by impartial judges. The Hague tribunal ras established by the United Nations to that end — the first international court since Nu-remberg, and avowedly a model for a future world court.

This ideal offers the greatest hope for human rights in the 21st century, but it is a hope which hinges on the Hague tribunal's success. If it faiters, those hostile to the supremacy of law over realpolitik (notably the diplomats of France, Britain and China, and all countries led by potential defendants) will ensure that the Nuremberg ideal is buried

for another half century.

But what constitutes "success"? In the long run, only trials which conform to the most rigorous standards of fairness. Nuremberg's "success" was in large measure due to the fact that many charges were found unproven and three of the defendants ere acquitted. Its presiding judge, Lord Justice Geoffrey Lawrence, remained publicly and resolutely impartial.

In many respects the tribu-nal in The Hague is an advance on its Nuremberg predecessor, notably by abjur-ing the death penalty, by making better provisions for the defence, and by providing a right of appeal. But most notably lacking among the 11 judges is relevant or recent experience in the defence of persons accused of crime.

This may partly account for the first unhappy ruling of the panel trying Dusko Tadic. It decided by a majority (the presiding American judge and her Malaysian colleague) to abandon the standards set by European Court of Human Rights and to deny the defence the right to know the names (or even the nicknames) of key

Sir Ninian Stephen (formerly of the Australian High Court) forcefully dissented from the majority decision, which is a woeful piece of jurisprudence. It misconstrues the statute, misunderstands precedents, and constantly misdescribes the judicial function in a criminal trial as "balancing" the fundamental rights of defendants against prosecution convenience. The prospect that a defendant may be imprisoned for life on the sole testimony of a witness whose identity he is not allowed to know, it justifies on

ntonio Cassese hit the the grounds that crimes against humanity are "horrifand in any event "the international tribunal is, in certain respects, comparable to a military tribunal, which often has limited rights of due process and more lenient rules of evidence".

These arguments are unac ceptable. The more "horrific" the crime, the more due process is necessary. And the belittling comparison with military tribunals (many of which are looking to this body to improve their standards) is astonishing. How can the Hague tribunal serve as a model for a world court if it sets low standards of fairness:

The court's frustrations are understandable: it lacks funding for a proper witness protection scheme and must suffer Nato's infuriating reluctance to arrest suspects. Last year, Professor Cassese, the tribunal president, called for a "programme of indictments" to "meet the expectations of the Security Council and of the world community at large" hardly the language of judges whose duty is not to act as avenging angels but to do justice though heavens fall.

No informed visitor to The Hague can do other than admire the work being done by the prosecutors, and Cassese's Appeal Chamber has already produced one formidable judgment which makes important contribu-tions to international law on war crimes. But his is a court without legal critics: no complaint about its conduct may be made to the Human Rights Committee in Geneva or to the European Court, and human rights lobbies have tended to look the other way.

Tot so Radovan Karadzic, who has been watching the televised trial of Dusko Tadic and has been telling journalists (who find him so much more easily than Ifor soldiers) that he will not attend The Hague because his trial would not be fair. That is a prospect against which all precautions must be taken when the evidence for his "international arrest warrant" is publicly unveiled on Thursday. This occasion must not smack of a show trial in absentia, or suggest that his guilt is as taken for granted by the court as it already is by the media. After all, the "command responsibility" principle upon which he is indicted was formulated in the course of convicting and executing General Yamashita for a crime history now suggests he did

not commit. There is much at stake. This tribunal is the model which either proves or disproves the case for a world criminal court that great millennium project for the end of a century in which (so far) some 160 million human beings have died in war. It would have no shortage of defendants: whether or not Pol Pot is dead there ls Idi Amin in Saudi Arabia, Colonel Mengistu in Zimba-bwe and "Baby Doc" Duvalier in France, not to mention others. They will keep - so long as Professor Cassese and his fellow judges can keep an open mind about the guilt of Karadzic and Mladic



Two lions on a shirt, Douglas Hogg's a turkey Months and months of hurt, His future's looking murky...

Chastity in the surgery

not short of issues to discuss in the bar. Given the heady atmosphere of that town, however, and the motion put forward by Dr Michael Crowe of Leicester. the odds are that most of them will be talking about sex. Outside on the wire stands, the newsagents will be shuf-fling the lewd and jolly postcards by followers of Donald McGill and pushing to the front all the old gags about stethoscopes and cleavages and the doctor saying he'd never seen such a big one before.

For Dr Crowe has breached tradition by attempting to whip aside the screens from the issue of doctors who become sexually involved with patients. Every year, he rightly points out, good doctors are suspended because of the strict rule of the General Medical Council that doctors must never have sexual relationships with patients in their care: however consensual and adult these relationships may seem to be. He concedes that in cases of proven exploitation or serial affairs, doctors should be disciplined; but not just for taking one patient as a lover. "Complaints to the GMC," he points out, are usually made when relationships turn sour and the rejected patient takes revenge by speaking out. It is not fair that a doctor can lose his or her job ... if an aggrieved husband or wife lodges a complaint, the doctor is immediately suspended." Doctors, he says, "are the only professionals who are singled out and treated so severely"

indeed they are. It is one of the glories of the medical profession, one of its gold standards. Long may it stand. For you go to a doctor troubled and vulnerable: even the smallest ailment can briefly bring you in touch with the terror of mortality, or be a symptom of depression, loneliness or marital disaster. If you are a woman, your doctor sees your body and soul in turmoil about childbearing, infertility or the lurking physical humiliations of ageing. If you are a man, it is to the doctor that you admit the limitations of your manhood, from impotence to childish terrors about ludicrous symptoms. Frankly, when anything halfway serious takes you to the surgery you do not even want any of this newfangled NHS "client" nonsense or waffle about "partnership". You want to be that oldfashioned thing, a patient: one who suffers, who admits suffering and The doctor who yields to temptation is sure to exploit a patient's vulnerability

asks for healing. You are a mass of contradictions; you want the healer to be wise and powerful but also human, because if the medical process becomes cold and mechanistic you feel doubly lonely. It is not an easy balance to keep.

Two things preserve it and make the relationship possible. One is medical confidentiality: the doctor will not gossip. The other is medical chastity however intimate the examination of the state of th nation he or she will not, cannot, "fancy" you. Impossible, verboten, taboo. You know that if it happens that both of you are free and eligible

for courtship, that doctor would have to get you off the list before declaring any such thing. Dr Crowe complains that this is not always possible, vaguely citing "isolated rural practices". The speciousness of this example

is revealed when he then adds that even if there is an option, "the patient may refuse to leave". You be: the whole danger of his argument is visible in this admission, this sketch of a patient (all right, a woman) who is pretending to be making a free adult choice as a lover, but still cannot bear to give up the heady dependency of being her lover's

That dependency is the problem. Listen to Dr Crowe's description of how a mutual attraction grows up. Very personal and confidential matters are discussed in the consulting room," he says, "and intimate examinations take place. Bonds of trust are built and developed and these can prepare the ground for a relationship".

The italics are mine, and denote shock. Sure, a husband can treat his wife, as their love predates the professional relationship; but the idea of an affair "prepared" by surgery confidences and rubbergloved gropings is so repulsive and contrary to the spirit of medicine that any normal doctor or patient must recoil. Indeed, when a relationship does develop out of such a professional meeting, those involved usually tell

how they had to wait, to distance themselves and foster convenient amnesia. One woman who married the houseman who treated her herpes took, she says, "ten years to forgive him". The same applies to people who fall in love with their psychiatrists, teachers, priests, or mentors: if there is ever to be anything real about the relationship, the first thing they need is to break the professional link. If not, the love affair rarely survives the transition into real life because it

was the product of a healing fantasy rather than a true sense of who the other person is. For one thing, the doctor-priest-mentor is simply not going to be able to keep up the level of compassionate interest once he actually lives with you. Ask any doctor's, or

vicar's, wife.

The field is not entirely without research. The phrase about healing fantasy comes from a study published in 1990 by Dr Peter Rutter entitled Sex in the Forbidden Zone, which brought together his experience and some hair-raising statistics. The "forbidden zone" is the professional trust enjoyed by doctors. clergy, and -- in America, anyway -divorce lawyers, who apparently are

forever getting entangled with women they are trying to unstitch from the last attachment. He followed up marriages which had grown from this forbidden zone, and they were nearly all, he said, disastrous. Sometimes, he theorises, a woman offers her sexuality in the consulting room out of a wounded, hopeless conviction that this is all she has; in that case her real need, says Rutter, is to be gently, respectfully rejected and shown that she is worth more. This he calls the "healing moment", and this is the moment which, in his astonishing words about treatment "preparing the ground for a relationship", Dr Crowe

One reason why Dr Rutter's book is so arresting is that he candidly and poetically evokes the temptation for the professional in a private, warm consulting room with a troubled

woman, "Passions both luminous and dark swirl about the room. In a mysterious way, almost like electromagnetic induction, we men cannot stop ourselves from beginning to experience some of our own long-denied fears, injuries, hopes and fantasies." The warmth of his phrasing reminds us of the important truth: that some kinds of exploitation do, at the time, feel just like love. Any experience which brings two people up against eternity creates a bond: a priest, commenting on the Rutter book, said with the same startling eloquence: "When you talk about spiritual things your guards are down, you are naked before each other, touching the deepest things that human beings can fathom... the confessional box was more than just a piece of furniture, you know. A very good defence." Yet while one party has more power it is wrong to turn that bond into a human, sexual. partnership. Somebody-usually the weaker one - is going to get hurt. Or at least their spouse is: how do you compete with Dr Kildare (or, indeed,

o; whatever Dr Crowe thinks about matching ethics to "the moral dimate today", it is safest for doctors to be held aloof from it in their inviolable, iodine-scented illusion of celibacy. Just because sex is everywhere in the 1990s does not mean that its primitive power for disruption has been diluted.

Even if you doubt that, and reject all the stuff about luminous swirling forces, just imagine for one moment how life would be for a shy, newly fledged young male doctor if the protective taboo were removed. His admiring women patients would know that he could turn from doctor to lover with impunity. Go on: think about how some of them would behave. A relaxation of the wise old rule might not much affect hospital specialists, but for GPs on the front line of a fragmented, sexually obsessed, unhappy society it would be tors more abrupt and defensive, less approachable and far less willing to go beyond the mechanics and address the complexity of patients'

needs. The irony is that if we make this short-sighted concession to the fact that doctors are "only human" we will, paradoxically, rob the profession of its higher humanity.

Grammar schools: + the logic

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right, Gillian **Shephard** says

Then the Conservatives came to power in 1979 a dreary uniformity of school had been imposed on Britain by Labour. In almost all areas of the country-there was only one type of secondary school - the local authority comprehensive - and children were generally forced to attend their nearest school. This monolithic system, together with trendy teaching in mixed-ability classes, had lowered standards in education alarmingly.

Since 1979 we have transformed this system. There is now a rich diversity of maintained schools: growing numbers of grant-main-tained (GM) schools — indeed, around a fifth of our secondary school pupils are now educated in them: there are many excellent local authority schools; there are a grow ing number of specialist schools — all language colleges and 151 technology colleges, as well as 15 city technology colleges; and there are 163 grammar schools, with their long-standing tradition of excellence.

We want that excellence to permeare our whole school system; we will do that by creating more grammar schools, more grammar streams and more schools which cater for varying specialisations and aptitudes.

Today's White Paper continues this process. It is designed with one aim to raise standards by reinforcing self-government and promoting choice and diversity. It sets out a range of new measures to build on what is already in place to give local authority schools more control of their budgets; to give GM schools more freedom to run their own affairs; to encourage all schools to develop distinctive strengths; and to encourage more choice and diversity. including greater freedom to selec

pupils, if that is what schools want Today's proposals mean that indi-vidual local authority schools would receive a larger proportion of their budgets. We also want a more clearly defined role for the local education authorities (LEAs). Their main task should be to support schools in their efforts to raise standards, including setting targets for improvement and intervening where the Ofsted inspec-tors have found that schools are: failing. But their record in this has been patchy. We have already said that Ofsted will have powers to inspect LEAs, and we intend to monitor the LEAs even more clo

We also want to give GM schools more freedom. GM schools are among the best in the country. The Chief Inspector's last report identified 200 schools as either excellent or very good. Of those identified as excellent, no fewer than 46 per cent were GM schools. My proposals would strengthen the powers of GM schools and give them more freedom to provide services such as nurseries and sixth forms, without their having to get central approval.

also want to see more opportunities for parents to choose from different types of school. I want to encourage new grammar schools. Grammar schools are beacons of excellence. I believe they help the most able children to achieve their full potential. I will be announcing ways to encourage more schools to become grammar schools and make it easier for them to do so. We will bring forward proposals to encourage selection as a regular feature of the education system.

But that does not mean that I want to see a return to the days where the only choice was a limited one between secondary moderns and grammars. That agenda is long out of date, just as the uniformity of the comprehensive approach has been consigned to the history books. I want to encourage all schools to develop distinctive strengths and identities. We have done this through the Specialist Schools Programme and this will be reinforced.

Many comprehensives do an excellent job, but one single type of school cannot fully meet all the varied abilities, appitudes, interests and needs of our children. The White Paper would encourage diversity and choice by a variety of measures to enable all schools to select a greater proportion of their pupils. Diversity of provision helps to raise standards, as parents and pupils have the power to choose the schools that best suit their skills and aptitude.

Underpinning all this, we will make selection a regular feature of the educational system. Governors, teachers and parents have a right to a greater degree of selection if that is what they think is best for the school and the community. This Govern-ment is committed to that type of choice. If schools want greater selection then they have a right to seek it.

We all know that much more remains to be done. Our social and economic future depends of our children achieving to the very limits of their ability. We have already done much to respond to the wishes of

parents - straightforward tests, per-formance tables, locally ring self-governing schools. The White Paper is another step towards giving But ain a world-class education system by putting power in the hands of parents and giving schools the power to

Plane games

IN AN Unprecedented salute to English football, British Airways plans to re-register its most advanced aircraft so that its "numberplate" reads GAZZA. The airline has invited Paul Gascoigne to an unveiling tomorrow of the planned registration mark on the Boeing 777, changed from the existing G-ZZZA to G-AZZA.

British Airways' chief executive Bob Ayling, a football fanatic who has instructed captains to update passengers with Euro 96 scores and served free champagne on flights to Spain after Saturday's victory, threw his weight behind the re-registration attempt after requests from his staff. "It is a gesture of solidarity for our boys," says a patriotic BA representative.

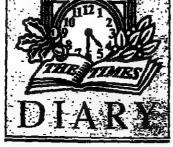
The gesture cuts little ice with the Civil Aviation Authority, however. The authority was approached informally by BA for permission to change the numberplate. Officials advised that the re-registration could go ahead only if the plane remained on the ground. British Airways' best hope of a permanent GAZZA numberplate lies in victory against the Germans. I'm sure the CAA will soon see the error of

hugging dress-designer friend Donna Karan has reportedly lost her crystals. A memo instructing New York staff to help to find them, warns that no one should touch the crystals, in case they lose their life-enhancing qualities.



mentators were grumbling yester-





day about the inflated pay-packet of a rookie reporter in the ranks. Martin Amis is to serve up a series of prominent dispatches in London's Evening Standard over the fortnight. The word in SW19, where he was alone and stoneyfaced in the press box, was that he has been hired for £20,000 - at the behest of the Editor, Max Hastings, a tennis fan whose pin-up is Gabriella Sabatini.

Amis describes himself as The New Yorker magazine's tennis correspondent and is a keen amateur player with an unorthodox, terrierlike style who occasionally graces pro-am tournaments. Yesterday the Standard denied the £20,000 figure: "We paid him what he's worth," said a plum-voiced executive. Well. The Sunday Times. from which he parted acrimoniously earlier this year, thought him worth a whacking £3.500 per book review when he worked on its literary pages.

Top man?

IS Jeremy Hanley a man for topless swimming pools? The former Tory party chairman loves his dips, and his local pool in Richmond, struggling to stop women going without their bikini tops, is considering a semi-naked area.

Norman Lamont faces a similar battle. In Harrogate, where he is Tory candidate, naturists have taken over one pool for a once-weekly all-nude session under the watchful gaze of lifeguards (clothed) but no speciators. Hanley, a modest man, is said to be fighting the move to go topless. "I like to go swimming somewhere where nobody will see me," he once told me. "I have a marginal seat and it wouldn't be wise if people saw me with my clothes off."

Kitty catch

KITTY KELLEY, the wicked American biographer who is scribbling at her nuclear-tipped biography of the Windsors, is planning to buy herself a British title at tomorrow's sale by Earl Spencer of

Spencer is selling because he



Massive attack: the Three Divas, Rosemary, left. Della and Anne

needs money to replumb the family home at Althorp and Kitty wants the Lordship of Newlane Squillers, up for some £5,000, "Lady Kelley has a kind of nice ring to it," she says. "I feel obliged to help Lord Spencer with his plumbing after spending so long on this book."

Big noises

IT AINT OVER till the fat ladies sing. The Three Tenors should be looking to their laurels after the debut performance of the latest oper-

atic sensation. The Three Divas International opera singers Rosemary Ashe, Della Jones and Anne Collins brought the house down with their version of Puccini's Nessun Dorma at Sadler's Wells for the theatre's final curtain on Sunday night, before rebuilding begins. Flourishing the Pavarotti trade-mark white handkerchief. they stole the show. Agents are falling over themselves to sign up the

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artificially fixed EU level. production. But they are penalised if they try to take advantage of a booming free market.

globally there are shortages. The obvious response would be to abolish area-based and set-aside subsidies and leave it to farmers to take their own commercial decisions based on world demand. Instead, the Commission plans to leave the subsidies in place. It will keep prices up by maintaining a 5 per cent set-aside programme this year; and at the same time, artificially keep them down within the EU by keeping EU grain off

a way to ensure price stability. It is unlikely to do so for an obvious reason: keeping supplies off world markets will raise the global price even more steeply. Unless the tax were increased, farmers would then have still greater incentives to export. The Commission claims that without the export curb. EU grain would be priced out of the animal feed market - an argument that implies that EU animals take priority over non-EU human beings.

Its real concern is one of covert protectionism. If a free market operated, livestock farmers could and probably would switch to the cheaper alternative, American-produced corn gluten. Once they acquired the habit, the Commission fears that it might stick even if grain prices subsequently fell. Mathematics and the common agricultural policy have ever been strangers to each other, but this chopped logic damages both poor grain-importing countries and Europe's farmers and consumers.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of Britain's repeal of the Corn Laws in 1846. The intervening period has demonstrated time and again the political folly of attempting to manipulate the cycles of agricultural production against the direction of the markets.

The EU must one day face up to the inherent inefficiency of artificially manipulating agricultural supply and demand. With global stocks now at a 20-year low, the market has already begun to correct itself: in Central Europe and elsewhere, grain production is rising in response to high prices. Of the world's leading grain exporters, the EU is alone in persisting with curbs on production while simultaneously restraining trade. Long-term trends point to sharply increased demand for grain, led by rising meat consumption in affluent Asian markets and by population growth. The EU could be the leading player, once Central European countries join, but only if it takes its farmers to market. The Commission should pull its head out of the grain silos and abolish this absurd tax, which Douglas Hogg has no business supporting. The best time to achieve reforms is when prices are buoyant. Politically, it will never be easier to join the world than now.

in their appeal system. We should not have to reward those within four to five weeks. When the new legislation is in force, many more will be fast-tracked in the appeal

system. Latest figures show that 86 per cent of the fall in applicants, comparin early 1995 with the same period of 1996, were "in-country" — those whose entitlement to benefit Parliament has decided to restrict. All this shows that the vast majority of asylum-seekers apply in order to better themselves economically rather than genuinely to claim refuge from perse-

It is for these reasons that we have announced our intention of tabling an amendment to the Bill to restore the benefit restrictions.

Home Office. 50 Queen Anne's Gate, SWI. June 24.

From Mrs Gill Noti

Sir, The details of Labour's proposal to give shareholders control over executive pay (report, June 18; see also let-ters. June 24) need to be thought through carefully. Giving shareholders full legal rights to vote at AGMs on executives' pay packages before they are implemented may in many cases be impractical; added to which the complexity of many packages makes them difficult to understand.

the chairman of a company's remuneration committee to report annually to shareholders on senior executives' pay, and for his appointment to be ap-ProShare survey last year.

Yours sincerely, GILL NOTT (Chief Executive). ProShare (UK) Ltd. Library Chambers, 13-14 Basinghall Street, EC2.

From Mrs Susan M. Barnard

Sir, Tony Blair's proposal that sharevote on pay packages for executives is indeed commendable. But will it be any more effective than the present system of shareholder voting, where a shareholder's voting power is directly proportional to the size of the shareholding?

board.

Yours faithfully. SUSAN M. BARNARD, 4 Egerton Drive, Hale, Altrincham, Cheshire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Benefit regulation for asylum-seekers

From the Home Secretary

Sir. You refer in your leading article of June 22 to the Court of Appeal's judgment on the benefit restrictions

The authority of the courts on mat-ters of law is of course unquestioned. Their views on policy, however, are subordinate to those of Parliament. Parliament approved the benefit regulations in January after full debate in both Houses.

The regulations allow all applicants to qualify for benefit while their claim is considered by the Home Office, providing they declare themselves on arrival. Those who claim after entry will have been admitted on the basis that they will not have recourse to public funds. Even they would qualify for benefit if they are trapped here be-cause of upheaval in their country. Furthermore, last year only 5 per cent of applicants were granted asylum and only 3 per cent of appeals against refusal upheld.

The Government is currently investing £37 million in additional caseworkers and adjudicators. The number of caseworkers has now risen eightfold since 1988 and productivity by 250 per cent since the last asylum legislation in 1993. But we will not reduce backlogs and delays to acceptable levels without robust action to deter bogus claims.

Your comparison with the Dutch system was misleading. It is true that the Dutch have speeded up their procedures and determined many bogus applications through a combination of computerisation and legislation. That is exactly what we in the UK are doing through the Asylum and Immigration Bill, and planned computerisation. We too take decisions in 24 hours or less in cases where the applicant can be returned to a safe third country.

But in The Netherlands, as elsewhere, it may take many months before an applicant becomes removable. Most rejected applicants in The Netherlands can seek both a review by the Dutch Immigration and Nationality Service and an appeal to the court. There have been significant backlogs

who do not apply for asylum at the first opportunity and whose aim in applying is, typically, to obtain benefit or stave off removal. Increasing numbers of applications are now decided

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL HOWARD,

Executives' pay

A more viable option would be for proved by shareholder vote. Both proposals were supported by over 85 per cent of informed private investors in a

Individual shareholders want more influence over directors' remuneration but recognise that its complexity means that it is more effective for them to focus on how it is set rather than determine the details of individual packages.

holders should be given the right to

As exemplified by the recent British Gas fiasco, the views of small shareholders count for little against the 'block vote" of large institutional shareholders who (rightly or wrongly) will usually support the wishes of the

Euro 96 and tabloid press jingoism

From Sir Sigmund Sternberg

Sir, National pride is a natural concomitant of international sport. A joyous display of patriotism at such times is right and proper.

But the manifestations of xenophobia, of racial hatred and the near incitement to violence which have preceded Wednesday's Euro 96 semifinal between England and Germany besmirch both the good name of football and the sense of European fellowship which, until now, has accompanied this good-natured con-

You have. Sir, in your measured way, reported the run-up to Wednesday's match as the fascinating sporting event which it is.

However, as you also report today, and as I have seen for myself, the tabloid press has attempted to whip up anti-German fervour by resorting to wartime terminology and the unbridled use of military imagery; it has substituted a sense of brutality for one of good sportsmanship and must bear almost the whole of the responsibility for any ill-feeling which lingers once the players and the fans have returned

Those of us who, fifty years after the end of the Second World War, are striving earnestly for reconciliation with today's Germans and Germany, can only regret that a major sporting occasion has been manipulated by some to serve crude racial ends and pledge ourselves to increase our endeavours for decent relations between man and man.

Yours. SIGMUND STERNBERG (Chairman, Executive Committee), International Council of Christians and Jews, 104-108 Grafton Road, NW5. June 24.

From the Headmaster of Giggleswick School

Sir, In Assembly this morning I told the school of my deep concern about the extreme and offensive language being used in newspapers with regard to Euro 96 and the forthcoming match between England and Germany. The warlike terminology was a travesty of sport and could damage our relations with European countries. It could also provoke the sort of violence and vulgarity which would wreck the good achieved in the tournament so far.

Since Assembly I have had the strongest response I can recall in my ten years as a headmaster. Staff and pupils alike feel similarly angered and wonder what can be done to redress the situation. A message must be sent to those areas of the press concerning their social and moral responsibility. From whom is it going to come?

Yours faithfully. A. P. MILLARD, Headmaster, Giggleswick School, Settle, North Yorkshire. June 24.

Wimbledon village

From the Chairman of The Wimbledon Society

Sir, Government plans to curb out-oftown development and reinvigorate our community centres with a greater mix of social and cultural attractions is to be applauded (report, June 21). But John Gummer needs to throw his planning net wider still.

The eyes of the world are again on Wimbledon this week; but how many of our thousands of domestic and overseas visitors are aware that our historic village is fast losing its identity as a centre of local life and that without urgent action, it will disappear as a family shopping centre by

the year 2003? These are the findings of study by this society's planning experts. They point out that of the 32 "essential" village shops - the grocers, butchers,

chemists and corner shops that were the backbone of village life in the 1950s only eight now survive.

Already eroded by the folly of outof-town supermarkets, they are declining fast in the teeth of spiralling rents and business taxes and a relentless inflow of bars, bistros, estate agents and finance houses.

The local authority is as concerned as we are at this trend. Yet attempts to halt the erosion of the "little shops" have again this month been frustrated by inspectors at the Department of the Environment, who have overturned an attempt to prevent the old village store being converted into yet another licensed premises.

Yours faithfully, NORMAN PLASTOW, The Wimbledon Society Far House, Hillside, SW19. June 22.

From Mr D. A. G. Simpson

Sir. The inconvenience of today's strike by postal workers ("Postal staff urged to accept pay deal", Business, June 21; see also reports June 12, 14) is insignificant in the context of the senerally unsatisfactory service the Royal Mail provides here in south-east Lon-

My impression is that blame for the situation lies not with the workers or their union, but with short-sighted policies of the management.

It is not unusual for the only postal delivery of the day to arrive at lunchtime. Occasionally first-class mail can take up to a week to arrive.

Inquiries made over the years to the Royal Mail suggest there is little, if any, back-up if the delivery person is, for instance, sick or on maternity leave, and there seems to be a preference to employ part-time staff with the

and other commitments.

Yours faithfully, DAVID SIMPSON (Director). Branta Travel Ltd. 7 Wingfield Street, SEI5.

From Mr Clive Reynard

Sir, So far today my e-mail box is busier than ever and I've just had to put more paper in my fax machine. When I rang the Post Office postcode inquiry line this morning I was told that it is closed until 8am next Monday, June 24, due to today's "one day" stoppage. the Communication Workers' Union is trying to get a message across to me, it is succeeding.

Yours sincerely. CLIVE REYNARD, 6 Turville Barns, Eastleach, June 21.

'Flying' bishops

From the Reverend Jean Mayland

Sir, The Reverend Dr R. T. Beckwith (letter, June 15; see also letter, June 11) wants women priests to disappear. I am sorry to disappoint him but we are here to stay. It is the "flying bishops" who must fly away for ever, as they are a theological aberration.

The Church of England voted in synod (after years of consultation and theological debate) to ordain women to the priesthood. Of course we must be compassionate and caring to those who oppose this decision, but not to the extent of trying to deny that it was ever made.

For the House of Bishops then to decide to consecrate other bishops, specifically to administer sacraments to

those who will not receive them from bishops who have ordained women to the priesthood, was at best an act of misguided kindness and at worst a heresy. No one in the Church of England

would tolerate, for example, the consecration of flying bishops to minister to those who would not accept the minis-tration of bishops who had ordained black men. Why then women?

Yours faithfully.

JEAN M. MAYLAND (Associate Secretary, Community of Women and Men in the Church), The Council for Churches for Britain and Ireland. Inter-Church House 35-41 Lower Marsh, SEI.

From Mr Gavin W. N. Stewart

Legal complaints

Sir. As a solicitor I agree with Mr Tony Biles (letter, June 19) that the Solicitors Complaints Bureau should be abolished. I do not agree that any other complaints system should be set If I cheat I can be prosecuted and

sued. If I am negligent I can be sued. My personal favourite however If I am unprofessional I will answer to a disciplinary tribunal. If my clients commemorates a late French actor. It have other complaints they may com-plain to the Legal Services Ombudsis Fernan Dell. man. Loss through my dishonesty will be made good by my fellow solicitors. My dissatisfied client may take his

siness elsewhere. If none of the above provides a satisfactory remedy is it possible there may be no reasonable cause for com-

Yours faithfully. GAVIN STEWART. Cherrytrees. Harkstead Road, Lower Holbrook, Ipswich, Suffolk.

Welfare of loneparent children

From the Director of the National Council for One Parent Families

and others Sir, On Tuesday, June 25, regulations enabling the Social Security Secretary

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to eradicate the only specially designated benefits for Britain's 1.5 million one-parent families will be debated in the House of Commons.
One-parent benefit (£6.30 per week) and lone parent premium (55.20 per week) were originally introduced by government to meet the special addi-

tional needs faced by lone parents bringing up children on a sole income. As organisations working for the wel-fare of families we have grave concerns about the proposed discretion-ary powers which, if exercised, would further trap lone parents and their children in poverty.

Government has ignored warnings from its own independent advisers, the Social Security Advisory Committee, that decisions in this crucial area of social policy require more scrutiny and debate than the regulations would allow for. Yet, as the committee pointed out, potentially the welfare of more than two million children hangs on government decisions about benefits for one parent families. Any move to reduce the benefits would undermine recent government policy, forcing lone parents further into the unemployment trap - making it harder. not easier, to take or keep a paid job and jeopardising their ability to meet their children's basic needs. Currently almost half of lone par-

ents are struggling to feed, clothe and house their children on less than £100 per week. Adequate benefits are a crucial plank of positive policies to support lone parents into work and to underpin their parenting role.

Yours faithfully, KARIN PAPPENHEIM, National Council for One Parent Families. ANN ABRAHAM (National Association of Citizens CHRISTINE EAMES **PAUL GOGGINS** (Church Action On Poverty), IAN SPARKS (The Children's Society), TOM WHITE (NCH Action for Children), c/o National Council for One Parent Families, 255 Kentish Town Road, NW5. June 21.

Own-brand medicines

From Mrs Colette McCreedy

Sir. The public should not be misled by Asda's recent publicity aimed at focusing attention on the launch of its own range of medicines (reports, June 18). This is nothing new. The large supermarket chains and all pharmacies have had similar, competitively priced "own brands" for years.

Asda is, in our view, purposely confusing two issues - the free market pricing of own labels and maintaining prices of branded medicines. Allow ing both to exist ensures the best of all worlds for consumers: the availability of a range of low-priced, basic medicines, an extensive range of branded medicines and easy access for all to a full range of local pharmacy services.

Yours faithfully, COLETTE McCREEDY, Head of Public Affairs, National Pharmaceutical Association, 38-42 St Peter's Street. St Albans, Hertfordshire. June 18.

Child labour

From Mr Michael Ambier

Sir, The new Labour Party appear to be casting its net wide to attract new voters. Yesterday my ll-year-old daughter received a personally addressed letter from Tony Blair. In it she was asked to donate £15 and complete a questionnaire outlining her views on how the country should be

It would appear from the address label that her name had been supplied by a magazine publisher - mv daughter subscribes to a pony maga-

zine aimed at the "younger adult".

It will be interesting to see whether any of her ideas - a fixed minimum pocket money for all children and a shorter working week for schoolchild-ren were two of them — are adopted in the Labour manifesto.

Yours faithfully, M. J. AMBLER, 8 Cornfield, Fareham, Hampshire.

Divided honours

From Mr Crispian Strachan

Sir, I am aware that tensions between Scotland and England were perhaps at an unusually high level last weekend; but can you assure me that it was truly necessary, in your early editions of June 15, to list the Queen's Police Medals awarded in the recent Birthday Honours to two Scottish officers (including myself) under the heading of "Overseas Police Forces"?

Yours faithfully, CRISPIAN STRACHAN (Assistant Chief Constable (Community Services)), Strathclyde Police. 173 Pitt Street, Glasgow. June 19.

THEITIMES JOIN THE WORLD

The EU misses a golden opportunity to reform its corn laws

Agriculture ministers are in Luxembourg this week to set this year's budget for the common agricultural policy. Most of their time will be spent arguing about levels of emergency aid to the European Union's RSE-hit beef producers. The European Commission will probably, therefore, be left in peace to continue its latest market-rigging scheme - the imposition of an export tax to deter EU farmers from exploiting a world grain market where prices now exceed the

The surge in prices means that for the first time in years. Europe's grain farmers can compete with ease on world markets. This ought by logic to have been seized by the Commission as the perfect opportunity to take grain farmers painlessly off the CAP's elaborate and inefficient life-support system. The current position is absurd even by CAP standards. Even before they sell the crop, British farmers are paid £106 for every acre of grain they grow - a system that encourages production. They are also paid £137 for ary acre set aside under the post-1992 reforms — which were aimed at curbing

The EU grain mountain no longer exists;

world markets. The Commission defends the export tax as

> WIZARD OF OLD Papandreou's death should free Greece from his spell

Andreas Papandreou was an obstinate, tenacious, prejudiced nationalist whose long tenure as Prime Minister brought Greece to the brink of economic and political ruin. He was a populist who sacrificed long-term stability to short-term popularity and who made a meal of the hands that fed his prefligate Government. His hubris knew no bdunds: and if his nemesis at the end of his first two terms was his scandalous love affair and tolerance of corruption, he rose

again from political and physical ruin to preside over a final, anticlimactic term. Yet to Greeks he remained, until the end, an heroic figure. Even his opponents, railing against his autocratic manner and alienation of Greece's neighbours and partners. conceded that he had some sort of vision. To villagers he was a champion, a man who broke the power of the big landowners. The Pasok party which he founded was the only alternative on the Left to communism, which had so nearly enslaved Greece in 1945. His social legislation and attempts to provide the kind of benefits found in richer countries were wildly popular, even if they would have

bankrupted Greece but for EU regional funds. As Greece mourns, few will immediately dwell on his huge political failings, his politics of personal loyalties and idées fixes. Yet his departure makes it very much easier for Costas Simitis, his successor as Prime Minister, to distance the Greek Government quietly from Pasok's follies. Mr Simitis was chosen from the group of Pasok politicians much influenced by Greece's membership of andreou loyalists, especially Akis Tsohatzopolous, the Interior Minister. He will have to claim, at the coming party congress, to be the true guardian of the Papandreou legacy. Yet over the coming months Mr Simitis needs to continue the policies that have already made Greece a less difficult partner. Greater economic discipline and fiscal

the European Union and less viscerally anti-

American, anti-Nato and anti-market. He

does not yet have personal ascendancy over

his party: he faced a tough challenge from Gerasimos Arsenis, the Defence Minister,

and his victory is still resented by Pap-

restraint have arrested the economy's free fall and the Government has faced up to the need for more privatisation, especially of the telecommunications industry. The wrongheaded quarrel with the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia is subsiding, although the northern neighbour still has to be referred to by this cumbersome name. Greece has contributed troops to the Ifor peace force in Bosnia, and has mended its fences with Albania and Bulgaria. Only with Turkey are the tensions as difficult as ever and that is because the last Aegean island challenge to Athens came during Mr Simitis's first week in office when all around

him were speaking of Greek capitulation and Western betrayal. Mr Simitis is not yet talking of "new Pasok"; any Blairite analogy would be premature. But his task is not so different, to cast off the old slogans, accustom his people to modern politics and liberate Greeks from

A TOWER FOR TODAY

antique wizardry.

and battlements.

Britain's most popular attraction needs a full moat

Ask any foreigner what images summon up Britain, and the chances are that the Tower of London will vie for first place with Buckingham Palace. It is the most visited of the historic buildings that charge for admission. And it plays a powerful bit part in almost every era of this country's history. from Magna Carta to Wat Tyler, the Reformation to Rudolf Hess. Yet the first image a tourist has of the Tower is blighted by urban detritus. Five lanes of highway separate Tower Hill from the building itself.

which is accessible from the Tube only through a dank, litter-strewn subway. All this may change if English Heritage and the Tower Environs Scheme have their way. The scheme has already won £500,000 from the National Lottery to conduct a feasibility study into ways to improve the Tower's surroundings. Meanwhile, Sir Jocelyn Stevens, chairman of English Heritage, has called for £100 million to be spent on a road tunnel on the northern side of the Tower to give a glorious, uninterrupted view of the castle to the 25 million visitors a year

that it attracts. William Camden, in his Britain of 1610. described the Tower as "a most famous and goodly Citadell, encompassed round with thicks and strong walles, full of loftie and stately Turrets, fensed with a broade and deepe ditch, furnished also with an armorie or magazine of warlicke munition, and other buildings besides: so as it resembleth a big towne." By his time, the White Tower in the centre of the "towne" had already stood for more than half a millennium - and that

replaced a Roman fort that had been erected on the first patch of the northern bank of the

Thames that did not flood at high tide. William the Conqueror built the White Tower in 1076, using Normandy stone, as a stronghold against the fickleness of the vast and herce populace". But it was not until 1190 that a moat was dug and filled with water. The construction of the outer curtain walls and present moat was ordered by Edward I, and was finished in 1281 at a cost of more than £4,000. The water remained until 1843, when the Duke of Wellington demanded that it be emptied, deeming it a

health hazard. Now the Tower Environs Scheme wants to restore the water to the moat, as well as sweeping away the clutter of tourist kiosks and service buildings and improving the various entrances. As long as the water can be kept free of discarded crisp packets and stagnation prevented, a full moat could provide fine reflective views of the turrets

It could also resurrect another tradition that the Tower has lost. For many centuries, the castle housed the Royal Menagerie. In 1252, the Sheriffs of London were ordered to pay 4d a day for food for a polar bear, a gift from the King of Norway, and to buy it a chain so that it could fish in the Thames. A new polar bear might be too much to ask. The animal fights that James I so enjoyed had to be stopped in 1609 when one of the bears killed a child. But the ravens could surely be joined by some swans, a stray salmon, and maybe even an otter or two.

The road to fame

From Mr Michael Dunton

Sir, It is the Crownhill estate in Milton Keynes (letters, June 17, 18, 24) that has its roads named after stars of stage, screen and music. To qualify, the person named has to be dead, perhans because Crownhill houses the crematorium. Hence Presley Way, Monro Avenue, Chaplin Grove.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL DUNTON. 94 Stamford Avenue, Springfield, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire.

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COURT CIRCULAR

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 21: The Duchess of Kent. Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, this afternoon visited the Royal Dragoon Guards, Girdwood Barracks, Girdwood Park, Belfast, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the County Borough of Belfast (Colonel Ellion

Wilson). Her Royal Highness this evening attended a production of West Side Story, at the Grand Opera House, Great Victoria Street, Belfast.

June 22: The Duchess of Kent this morning opened the Turkington Precast Concrete Plant, Mahon Industrial Estate,

Portadown, County Armagh. Her Royal Highness this after noon attended an Investiture and Reception for the Royal Ulster Constabulary and civilians, Hills-borough Castle, and, as Patron, attended a Garden Party. marking the 25th Anniversary of the Royal Ulster Constabulary Benevolent Fund, Hillsborough Castle, County Down.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 24: Major Sir Shane Blewitt was received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order.

The Queen was represented by the Reverend Peter Taylor (Master of the Worshipful Company of Drapers) at the Service of Thanks-giving for the Life of the Lord Luke of Pavenham which was held in the Church of St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall, London EC2, this

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Mr Christopher

The Princess Royal was represented by Dame Mary Glen Haig. The Duke of Kent was represented by Mr Nicolas Adamson.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 24: The Princess Royal this evening launched the Starehe Endowment Fund (UK) Appeal at a Reception held at the Shell Centre, South Bank, London SEI.

ST JAMES'S PALACE June 24: The Prince of Wales today visited the Isle of Man and was received by the Lieutenant-Governor (Sir Timothy Daunt).
His Royal Highness this morning visited Castletown and met

local people. The Prince of Wales afterwards visited Port St Mary Primary

His Royal Highness later toured the Manx National Heritage Village Folk Museum, Cregneash, saw demonstrations of local craft skills. The Prince of Wales this after-

oon visited Port Erin Arts Centre. His Royal Highness later visited the Town Hall, Douglas, which is celebrating the Centenary of the Douglas Corporation. The Prince of Wales, President,

The Prince's Trust, afterwards saw a presentation on the Work of the Trusts in the Isle of Man and met grant recipients and young businessmen and women sup-ported by the Trust at the Douglas Youth Centre, Kensington Road.
His Royal Highness this evening gave a Reception and a Dinner in HMY Britannia.

KENSINGTON PALACE June 24: The Princess of Wales received the Rt Hon John Major MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury). YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 24: The Duke of Kent, President, the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club. accompanied by The Duchess of Kent, this afternoon attended the Wimbledon Championships, Wimbledon, London SW19.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron, United Kingdom Committee for the United Nations Children's Fund, this evening attended a reception given by ITT Sheraton, at the Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly. London WI.

The Duke of Kent was represented by Mr Nicolas Adamson at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of the Lord Luke which was held in the Church of St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall, London EC2, this afternoon.

Royal engagements

The Queen, as Captain General, will visit the Honourable Artillery Company to open the refurbished Finsbury Barracks at 3.30. The Duke of Edinburgh will visit Work Opportunities through Self Help at Neath Farm Business Park, Cherry Hinton, Cambridge, at 10.00; and as Chancellor will confer honorary degrees at the Honorary Degree Congregation at Cambridge University.

The Princess Royal, as President of The Missions to Seamen, will attend the annual service at St Michael Paternoster Royal, College Hill, EC4, at 11.30; will attend the annual luncheon and meeting at Skinners' Hall at 12.35; and, as President of the Animal Health Carriage House event, Chats-worth, Bakewell, Derbyshire, at

6.30. The Duke of Kent, as member, will attend the annual dinner of the Third Guards Club at the Hyde

Evelyn Laye

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Evelyn Laye. CBE, will be held on Tuesday, July 2, at noon, at St Paul's Church, Covent Garden. WC2. Enquiries: 0181 789 9227.

Edge Grove School, Hertfordshire

The Governors announce the appointment of Mr John Baugh as Headmaster of Edge Grove, in succession to Mr Jolyon Waterfield, who will be retiring in the Summer of 1997. Mr Baugh is currently Headmaster of Solefield School, Severonics.

Greater London Lieutenancy

Brigadier P.E. Woolley to be a Deputy Lieutenant for Greater London.



Scotland, the Right Rev John McIndoe, at Newcastle upon Tyne station yesterday when two mail trains were renamed St Columba and St Augustine. The ceremony was to mark the 1,400th anniversary next year of the death of St Columba on Iona and the arrival of St Augustine at Canterbury and to draw attention to Pilgrim's Way, 1997, when hundreds of Christians will retrace on foot the routes of the saints which covered much of Europe.

Birthdays today

Dame Margaret Anstee, former Under-Secretary General, United Nations, 70; Mr Peter Blake, painter, 64: Sir Jack Boles, former Director-General, National Trust 71: Rear-Admiral Richard Cobbold, 54: Sir Alcon Copisarow, first chairman, The Prince's Youth Business Trust, 76; Sir Robin Dent, banker, 67: Mr Cyril Fletcher, broadcaster, 83: Mr Derek Foster. MP. 59.

Mrs Margaret Gray, former Headmistress, Godolphin and Latymer School, 83; General Sir Roland Guy, 68; Mr Eddie Large, comedian, 54; Mr Sidney Lumet, film director, 72; Mr George Michael, singer, 33; Mr R.M. Morgan, Warden, Radley College, 56; the Hon Sir Charles Morrison former MP, 64; Sir Gerrard Neale former MP, 55; Mr Howard Newby, novelist, 78; Sir Kenneth Oxford, former Chief Constable, Merseyside, 72: Lord Ravensdale, 73; Mr Larry Smith, trade union-ist, 73; Mr Robert Venturi, architect, 7; Miss Doreen Wells, ballerina, 59; the Rev K.H. Wil-kinson, Head Master, Berkham-sted School, 48; Professor Sir Arnold Wolfendale, FRS, former Astronomer Royal, 69.

Service Company of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators

The Rev Dr Martin R. Dudley officiated and gave an address at the annual service of the Company Administrators held vesterday at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew-the Great. West Smithfield Mr Clifford H. Grinsted, Master, read the lesson. Later, a reception and dinner were held at Ironmongers' Hall.

Memorial services

Lord Luke

The Queen was represented by the Rev Peter Taylor and the Duke of Edinburgh by Mr Christopher Laing at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Lord Luke held yesterday at St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall. The Princess Royal was represented by Dame Mary Glen Haig and the Duke of Kent by Mr Nicolas Adamson. The Rev David Burgess officiated and Mr James Bristow, son-in-law, read

the lesson,
The Hon Hugh Lawson Johnston, brother, the Rev Andrew Wingfield-Digby, Director of Christians in Sport, the Hon Philip Lawson Johnston and Lord Luke, sons, the Marquis of Huntly, the Right Rev John Taylor and grandchildren and a great-grandchild paid tribute. The Lord Lieutenant of Bedfordshire and the High Sheriff of Bedfordshire and Lady Margaret Glasse attended. The Under Sheriff of Bedfordshire was represented by Mr Peter Wardill. Among others present were:

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Barbara Lady Luke (widow), the Hon
Harry and Lady Lemina Lawson
Johnston and the Hon Andrew and
Mrs Lawson Johnston; tons and
daughters-in-law), the Hon Mrs
Bristow (daughter), Lady Luke and
the Hon Mrs Fittilly Lawson Johnston
(daughters-in-law), the Hon Mrs
Parrack, the Hon Jamie Lawson
Johnston, Mr Hon Ruper Lawson
Johnston, Mr Timothy Bristow, Mr
Barnaby Bristow, Mr and Mrs Ceonge
Bristow, Mr Percy Lawson Johnston,
Miss Hentleita Lawson Johnston, Mr
Glies Lawson Johnston, Mis Tania
Lawson Johnston, Mr Harry Lawson

BIRTHS: Robert Erskine Childers. Irish nationalist and author of The Riddle of the Sand, London, 1870; Louis Mountbatten, ist Earl Mountbatten of Burma, Viceroy of India 1947, Windsor, 1900; George Johnston, Mr Edward Lawson Johnston and Saskia Lawson Johnston and Saskia Lawson Johnston (grandchildren), Joy and Edward Bristow (great grandchildren), the Hon Pearl Lawson Johnston (sister-in-law), and other members of the family.

The Marquess and Marchloness of Reading. Jana Marchloness of Reading. Jana Marchloness of Huntly, the Earl of Limerick, Viscount Brentford, the Right Revand Mrs David Farmbrough, Mrs John Taylor, Lord and Lady Clark of Kempston, Lady Howard de Walden, Lord Remnant, Sir Nicholas Lyell, QC. MP, the Hon Mrs Silvis Lawson Johnson, Lady (Charles) Nicholson. Bir Nicholas Lacksun.

Johnson, Lady (Charlesi Micholson, Ist Micholise Lockson.

Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Dalton (Master Warden, Drapers' Company) and Lady Dalton with Sir Michael Cralg-Cooper (Second Master Warden) Mr John Stin Renter Warden) Mr John Stin Renter Warden) and John Stin Renter Warden) and John Stin Renter Warden) and John Stir Patrick Howard-Dobson, Lady McNair-Wilson, Sir Arthur and Lady Gold, Lady Hanbury, Sir Sianies and Lady Codell. Mr and the Hon Mrs Allan Chapman.

Mr Peter Bottomiey, MP, Lieutenani-Colonei Malcolm Ross, Mr Jan Campbell, Mr John Carlisle, MP, and Mrs Carlisle, MF Hamish McCorquodale, Mr and Mrs John Padovah, Mn Charles, Barnett, Mr Alistair Lang, Mr Philip Chalk, Miss Nathalle Curtin, Miss Jane Hays, Mrs Zanna Van Oss, Mrs David Pitman, Mr Senten Pitman, Mr Senten Pitman, Mr Senten Pitman, Mr Senten Mrs Martin Harris.

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Corresty, Mr. C. Aldotti, Mr. and Mrs. S. Martin Harris.

Mr. Robert Strick, Mr. and Mrs. S. Farmbrough, Mr. John Smoker, Mr. H. W. H. Hortock, Mr. Robert St. John, Mr. James Stewart, Colonel and Mrs. A. L. King-Harman, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Beuzley, Miss. Demeiza Hardy, Mr. Gordon Bayley, Mrs. Juliet Crocker, Mr. Raymond Cazalet, Mr. John Harrop, Mr. and Mrs. Colin Rank, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hippisley-Cox. Colonel Jonathan Trelawny, Lieutenani James Innes.

Major H. O. Parker (The Bedfordshire and Herriordshire Regiment Association 1) Sth. Pool), Mr. Douglas Smith (National Council Royal

Brilish Legion). Mr Charlie Coichester (CARE). Mr George Nicholson (British Olympic Association), Mr Michael Egan (Modern Pennathlon Association of Grear Britain). Mrs Elsa Davies (National Playing Fleids Association). Mr Ken Charles and Mr and Mrs Phillip Clarke (English Basketball Pellowship).

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Mrs Maurgen Acland (Florence Nightingale Foundation), Professor Graham Zellick (Queen Mary and West(feld Coilege). Mr Robin Duchesne (Royal Yachting Association), Mrs Kenneth Abbott and Mr Fred Wooding (Bedfordshire Athletics Association). Miss Melanie Barber (Lambeth Falace Library), Mr John Dean (United Bible Societies).

Dean (United Bible Societies).

Mr Dick Newhouse (Intercontinential Church Society), Mr Alan McLintock (Woolwich Building Society), Mr Rita Hogg (Institute of Exports), Mr Trevor Turner (Publich Club al Londan), Mr Tim Dodwel (Parish of Odell), Mr Ramsay Shewell (Parish of Odell), Mr Ramsay Shewell (Cooper (Good Gardener Association)) Miss Deborah Jarvis (London Chamber of Commerce) and many other friends.

Sir William Wilkinson

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir William Wilkinson, Chairman of the Nature Conser vancy Council. 1983-91, was held yesterday in Eton College Chapel The Rev John Witheridge, Conduct of Eton, officiated and the Ven Derek Hayward led the prayers.

Mr Dick Wilkinson, brother. Miss Sophia Wilkinson, daughter and Mr Tim Card, Vice-Provost of Eton, read the lessons. Mr Martin Mays-Smith gave an address Miss Alice Wilkinson, daughter sang Schubert's Ave Maria.

Baden-Powell, World Chief Guide. Bramley. Hampshire, 1977. The first car telephone was exhibited in Germany, 1925.

School news

Abingdon School The following entrance Scholarship elections have been made for

Mercers' Company and Dragon!-Abingdon Continuation Scholarship: A.J.J. Wilson, Dragon S. Dozbory Scholarship: M.R. Kay, New College I. Foundation Scholarships: M.G. Becker, Moulsford S. S.C. Pickard, St Hugh's S.

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Art and Design Exhibitions: G.M.
Coppock, Dragon S; S.C. Pickard, St
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Music Exhibitions: C.G. Johnson, St
Nicholas CEPS; C.A. McClements,
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P.R. Thomas (Dunmore CJS).
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Music Scholarship: M.A. O'Donovan (Dragon 5). Music Ethibidous: H. Richards (Wantage CEIS): O.M. Smith (Hanney CEPS): A.R. Thomas (Harwell CPS).

The Abbot and Head Master announce the following awards:
Major Scholarship - George Norton Dorset House; Minor Scholarship - Chan Monto Parleigh School; Major Music Award - Thomas Heaven (Salisbury Cathedral School; Stah Form Minor Exhibition - Andrew Nuttall ISt Gregory's, Bath). Exhibitions - Christopher Leeming (Parleigh School), Jandaffi, Hamish Campbell, Timothy Evans (Piunkett House), Cosmo Cardozo (Port Regis), Adam Weston (West Hill Park). The Sir Richard Terry Exhibition - Isames Holland-Leader (Downside); The Gregory Murray Exhibition - Hugo Saunders (Plunkett House); The Croral Exhibition - Benedict Carter (Ali Hallows); Art Scholarship-Peter Hill (Moor Park; Plunkett House Scholarship - Lewis Raynolds (St Heien's RC Barry). The Abbot and Head Master

Dinners

Prime Mississer The Prime Minister and Mrs Major were the hosts at a dinner held last night at 10 Downing Street in honour of Mr Marmaduke Hussey and Lady Susan Hussey.

European-Atlantic Group Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, President of the European-Atlantic Group, was in the chair at a dinner held last night at the St Ermin's Hotel, Mrs Pauline Green, MEP, was the guest speaker. Lord Dahrendorf, chairman of the execoutive committee, and Miss Joyce Quin, MP, also spoke. The Ambas-sadors of Croatia, Belgium, Bul-garia, Turkey and Georgia were among the guests.

Meeting

Royal Over-Sens League Dr Alan Sked, Leader of the UK Independence Party, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Miss Hazel Ellis presided.

University news

Somerville College

Elizabeth Helen Slater. To a Bull Exhibition in English: edica Le Fevre Collina To a Coombs Exhibition in English: To a Deakin Exhibition in English: Katherine Ruth Williams.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C. Boase and Miss S. Harrison The engagement is announced between Charles, elder sun of Commander and Mrs Hilary Boase, of Broadstone, Dorset, and Serena, elder daughter of Colonel and Mrs Richard Harrison, of Wyke, Gillingham, Dorset.

Mr D.A. Lloyd-Seed and Miss V.M. Vaughan Arbuckle

The engagement is announced between David, son of Dr and Mrs R.G.F. Lloyd-Seed, of Pinnlico, London, and Vivian Mary, eldest daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs LM. Vaughan-Arbuckle, of Fincham, Norfolk.

Mr M. Worthington and Miss H. Hanmer

The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Colonel and Mrs John Worthington, of Wiveliscombe, Somerset, and Harriet, younger daughter of Mr John Hanner, of Westhorpe, Nottinghamshire, and Mrs Fred Connell, of Colston Bassett House,

Marriages

Dr C.M.O'D. Alexander and Ms S.P. Everett The marriage took place on April 12, 1996, in Arlington, Virginia, between Dr Conel Alexander, el-der son of Sir Michael and Lady Alexander, of Highgate, London, and Ms Sarah Everett, daughter of A Mrs Wendy Pollard, of Clifton, Bristol, and Mr Tom Everett, of Kington Langley, Wiltshire. Mr A.E. Maynard-Taylor

and Mrs J.C. Strecker The marriage took place on June 18, 1996, in Sussex, between Mr Aldersey Maynard-Taylor and Mrs Jeanetta Strecker, née Rowan-Hamilton.

Latest wills

Mrs Margery Gleanie, of Bovey Tracey, Devon, left estate valued at £1,315,708 net.

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Legal appointments

Mr Charles Richard Dawson and Mr Bernard Nicholas Gamt to be District Judges from July L. Mr Dawson will be assigned to the Wales and Chester Circuit, and Hr Gaunt to the Northern Ctrcult. Mr David John Latham to be a full-time chairman of Industrial Tribunals from July 15. He will be assigned to the Leeds Region.

Appointment

Dr Penelope Arme Rowlatt to be a member of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution.

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PENGELLY - On 22nd June 1996, Kenneth aged 90, lately Headmaster of Betham School, Coughurs, Holder of the Cryst Manuflen of the Borough of The Royal Tunbridge Wells, Burial service at Betham Schmel, Goudhurst on Sunsay, John June at 11 m. Thanksaying Service at 1 Thanksgiving Service at Bethany School Chapet on School 21 October at 12 noon All are invited in either

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WALBH - Professor William 23rd June after a long litness at Wharfedale Hospital. Late Professor of Commonwealth Literature and Acting Vice Chancellor University of Leeth Beloved husband of May and father of Tim and Margaret. Funeral private.

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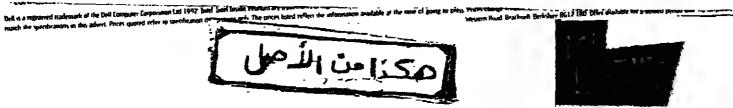
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To be typecast so early as a character in the Buchan mould might have defeated a less resilient youth. but Johnnie Buchan went on to fill the role in ways that even his father could never have anticipated. As a colonial administrator in Africa, an explorer in the Arctic and a naturalist in Scotland, he could have effortlessly held his own with Richard Hannay. Sandy Arbuthnot and the other Buchan heroes. But it was as a soldier that he outstripped even his I sher who never himself saw action.

Commanding a Canadian infantry

battation in Sicily in July 1943, he led a dramatic assault on Assoro, a village on a 1.000ft hill, held by the Hermann Goering SS Regiment. which was considered impregnable. Remembering a lesson taught him in the Scottish Borders by his Uncle Walter, who always said that you could gauge the steepness of a hill by aligning it with a walking stick, he borrowed a rifle and looked along its barrel at the slope of Assoro, it was, he judged, no more than 45 degrees. We're on!" he announced, and prepared for a flunking movement up the hill by night to take the Germans by surprise from above. Before leaving he recited to his men as much of Henry V's Agincourt speech as he could remember. The attack was described by a fellowofficer as "so daring that failure meant not only the end of Tweedsmuir's career, but the end of the

LORD TWEEDSMUIR

regiment as well". By the following day, however, a great victory had been won, which General Montgomery reckened took five days off the Sicilian campaign. Tweedsmuir was twice mentioned in dispatches and appointed OBE (military), though many considered his achievement merited the DSO.

John Norman Stuart Buchan was born in London, but, like his father always considered himself a Border Scot. He was educated at the Drugon School, Eton, and Brasenose, Oxford. where he founded the university falconry club and rowed for his college. He was, by his own admission, a poor scholar, gaining a Fourth in History, a degree which, he said. was "so lowly that it was afterwards abolished".

He then went into the Colonial iministration Service, and was for two years an assistant district commissioner in Uganda. While there he contracted an almost lethal bout of dysentery, and was so ill that he lost three stone in weight. He travelled to Canada, where his father was Goverpor-General, in a state of nearcollapse. "When I arrived on a ship at Halifax," he later recalled, "I had to introduce myself to Mummy as I was almost unrecognisable." He joined the Hudson's Bay Company with the idea of living in the Arctic, and drove a dog team over 3,000 miles across uncharted territory, an experience which, remarkably, pided his recovery. He took a small box of watercolours and taught the Eskimos to paint. He learnt their language. adding Inuit to his existing Swahili.

On returning, he learnt that war had been declared. He joined the Covernor-General's Footguards, the Seuforth Highlanders of Canada. and then the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, where he was second in command until the commanding officer was killed on the eve of the assault on Assoro. The following day he was wounded when a mortar shell exploded a few feet away from him. Later he served on the Army Commanders Tactical Staff in Italy under General Sir Oliver Leese and General Sir Richard McCreery. After the war he was involved in



arresting members of the Dutch SS and confiscated their standard. which is now in the Imperial War Museum. For this he was awarded the Order of Orange-Nassau with Swords.

He had succeeded to the title of Lord Tweedsmuir on the death of his father in 1940, and on returning to Britain he took his seat in the House Lords and made his maiden speech in the same year, 1945. He served for four years on the opposition front bench, then, when the Conservatives came to power he was sent, with Anthony Eden, to the United Nations when it met in Paris. He later served on the UK team of the

Council of Europe at Strasbourg. In 1948 he married Priscilla Lady Grant, widow of Sir Arthur Grant. Bt, of Cullen, and they lived for the next 30 years at Balmedie in Aberdeenshire, a part of the country which he wrote about eloquently in his memoirs. One Man's Happiness. His wife was MP for South Aberdeen from 1946 to 1966, a Minister of State at the Foreign Office and was clevated to the House of Lords in 1970 as Baroness Tweedsmuir

Belhelvie. Much of Tweedsmuir's life during this time was spent supporting her. He was offered the Governor-Generalship of New Zealand, but felt that he would prefer to assist his wife in her political duties. He helped to pilot the Protection of Birds Bill, which is still the model for much of today's conservation law, through both Houses, describing the experience of dealing with one particularly tricky amendment as "like sailing between Priscilla and Charybdis".

In 1948, the year of his marriage, he had been elected Rector of Aberdeen University, beating Malcolm Sargent by 14 votes. He relished the post, refounding the Aberdeen University Boat Club, and starting an Exploration Club which mounted a successful expedition to Libya, where they found a hitherto unknown tomb and four species of plant unknown to science. They also helped to uncover the fabulous St Ninian's Treasure in Shetland, now in the Royal Scottish Museum in Edinburgh. He was given an honorary LLD by the university in 1949.

Lord Tweedsmutt was also a businessman, serving on the boards of BOAC. Dalgety and Sun Alliance, and as chairman of the Advertising Standards Authority. He was appointed CBE in 1964 and CD (Canadian Forces Decoration) in the same year. Among his published works were Always a Countryman (1953), and Hudson's Bay Trader (1951) based on his Arctic diaries which John Buchan also used to give authenticity to Sick Heart River.

After the death, in 1978, of his first wife, he married in 1980 Jean, widow of Sir Francis Grant. They moved to Oxfordshire, where they spent 15 years together before returning to Soxland when his health began to fail. Always charming company, a fund of splendid stories about his richly varied life. Lord Tweedsmuir was a physically imposing figure who seemed at times, with his dark complexion and his beaked nose, a figure from another era. He was, however, full of warmth and was particularly popular with children, who would listen entranced to his reminiscences.

He is survived by a daughter, Susan, who is married to the Conservative minister Lord James Douglas-

CECIL TURNER



Cecil Turner, publisher. died on June 16 aged 83. He was born on October

CECIL TURNER was one of the last independent publishers who refused to succumb to the corporate commercialism which swamped the industry in the 1980s. A cultured and discerning man of letters with high standards of literary taste and integrity, he established his firm. Bachman and Turner, in 1972. This firm has continued to publish distinctive and provocative fiction and non-fiction for almost a

quarter of a century.

The son of a wealthy manufacturing chemist from Leytonstone, Cecil Norman Theyer Turner was educated at Leyton Grammar School and then went into advertising. He soon became a successful executive, then owner and director of two advertising companies: Auger and Turner and Cecil Turner.

During the Second World War he was a captain in the Royal Artillery and was seriously wounded in the Burma Campaign. He had been on a convoy going to North Africa which was diverted to Burma. After being awarded two campaign medals and one personal medal, he worked as a welfare officer in India and continued this work on his return to England.

In the late 1960s he sold his advertising company and riage a went to live for several years in second.

Malta. But because of his continuing interest in literature, he returned to England where he established his publishing firm in partnership with his third wife, the former Swedish diplomat and broad-

caster, Marta Bachman. Bachman and Turner soon had a distinguished list of authors including Gerald Moore. Eva Jones. Beverley Nichols, Tamara Nijinsky, Hubert Gregg, Charlie Chester and many others.

Aside from his activities as a publisher. Turner devoted many years of hard work to the English Literary Trust a charitable organisation which he founded in the 1980s. The trust is devoted to the widening of interest in and know-ledge of English literature.

In recent years he developed glaucoma and in order to help other sufferers from this afflic-tion he founded another charitable organisation, the Ocular Research Fund.

He was an avid and discerning collector of antique furniture, rare books, china and paintings. For many years he lived in a medieval manor house in Kent where he and his wife created a magnificent garden which was open to the public. He took an active interest in historical preservation: improving old houses, gardens and parks for the benefit of the public.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter from his first marriage and a son from his

MAJOR-GENERAL J. M. McNEILL



Major-General Jock McNeill CB. CBE, Principal Staff Officer to the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations 1964-69. died on May 25 aged 87. He was born at Liss, Hamoshire, on February 22, 1909.

JOCK McNEILL could have made a successful career as either a soldier or a diplomat. He chose to follow his father. Bridgadier-General Angus McNeill of the Fourth Highlanders, into the Army as a gunner rather than as an infantry officer.

He was a born leader and. as his career developed, he showed himself to be adept in

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both military and political diplomacy. A quiet man, he had a clear and balanced intellect, which coupled personal charm with honesty of purpose

Educated at the Imperial Service College and the Royal Military Academy. Woolwich. John Malcolm McNeill was commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Artillery in 1929. having won the Benson and Tombs memorial prizes as the top gunner graduate. Before the outbreak of war in 1930, he served seven years in India with the 47th/27th and the 34th/16th Field Brigades and G Battery Royal Horse Artil-

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1936, he was placed as an uty secretary to the Chiefs of instructor at the School of Staff Committee. Promoted brigadier in 1955. Signals at Catterick, a posting which was to prove decisive in his wartime career, although he may not have appreciated it

the staff at Camberley in 1940 and was appointed Box GSQ 1 of the No 1 Close Support Bomber Control in 1941, thus starting a long and profitable relationship with the RAF. He became one of the originators of the highly successful army/air co-operation system. bringing together his expertise in communications gained at Catterick and as a gunner skilled in target acquisition. He held a series of Box GSO

at the time. He was trained for

I (air) appointments in Montgomery's Eighth Army, in Alexander's 18th and then 15th Army Group Headquarters during the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns and for the early phases of the Italian campaign, co-ordinating army/air force operations. Returning to England as part of Montgomery's "lst Xi" in preparation for Normandy, he was appointed GSOI (Air) at HO 21st Army Group, remaining there throughout the campaign in North West

Europe. He was to see the ultimate development of Second World War army/uir co-operation techniques in the final battles in Burma where he was Colonel Box GSO (Air) in HQ Allied Land Forces. He ended the war helping to teach the fully developed system at the School of Land/Air Warfare at Old Sarum, and then attended the Joint Services Staff College

Having not been with the Royal Artillery since leaving India in 1930, he was delighted to be given command of the lst Royal Horse Artillery in Egypt. 1949-52, before being selected for the Imperial De-fence College in 1952 at the early age of 43. This was a stepping stone to his career in Whitehall: secretary of the Joint Planning Staff, and dep-

he was once more back in a sunner appointment as Contmander Royal Artillery, 2nd Division, in Germany, followed by Commandant School of Artillery, Larkhill. His last appointment in the Army was as a major- general. He was appointed command-er of the British Army Staff and military attache. Washington, a job that brought him into close touch with not only the senior figures in the US defence establishment, but also with the defence staffs of all the major Nato and Commonwealth countries. He travelled widely, developing a deep interest in Commonwealth and Anglo-American

affairs. When he retired from the Army in 1963 he was asked to take up a diplomatic career connected with the Commonwealth. He joined the Depart-Commonwealth Relations, becoming Principal Staff Officer to the Secretary of State, 1964-1969. He held this office during the crucial years of the withdrawal from East of

Sucz. After his final retirement from government service, he led an active life at home in Pilton, Somerser, He was uppointed Colonel Commandant Royal Artillery, in 1964, enabling him to maintain close contact with his many friends in The Royal Regiment. He supported the National Trust in the West Country and the work of the English Speaking Union. Perhaps his happiest moments were when directing operations to nutwit the local wild pheasant population or teaching his grandsons the old-fashioned way of taking a

boat to sea. He married Helen Barbara Christina Marsh in November 1939. She was the daughter of Colonel T. H. Marsh of Spilsby. Lincolnshire. They had two daughters who, with his wife, survive him.

EDWARD BERNSTEIN

Edward Bernstein, economist, died in Washington on June 9 aged 91. He was born in Bayonne. New Jersey, on December 19, 1904.

HAD Edward Remotein not disgreeed with his fellow American economists over the likely strength of the US economy after the Second World War - and been able to persuade John Maynard Keynes that he was right and they were wrong - the economic development of the postwar international order might well have taken a very different course.

The meeting, at which he and Keynes initially encountered each other, did not start auspiciously. They met at the 1944 United Nations Monetary and Financial Conference, better known as "Bretton Woods", and at first they did not hit it off. Keynes was the leader of the British delegation and Bernstein, a Treasury Department official, was acting as technical adviser and executive secretary to the US delegation. Most of Bernstein's colleagues believed that, once the war was over. America was bound to slip back into the conditions of the

Depression era of the 1930s. Bernstein — who had great gifts of clarity of expression argued to the contrary, basing his belief on the fact that, since the United States had departed from the gold standard, the

level of gold reserves would no longer control the growth of the money supply.

Thanks largely to his success in convincing the influential Keynes that the majority view was wrong (which it wasi, the Bretton Woods conference resulted in the foundation of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, commonly known as the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund.

Two years later Bernstein was appointed as the IMF's first director of research, holding the post until 1958 when he founded his own consultancy. specialising in economic research. Among his clients were numbered the central banks of several foreign companies and various large multinational companies.

Edward Morris Bernstein. the son of a New Jersey insurance agent, grew up in New York City, where he worked as a copy boy for the New York World while studying at a public high school. He took a degree from the University of Chicago in 1927, gaining his doctorate in economics at Harvard four years later. Until he joined the Treasury Depart-ment in 1940, he taught Economics at the University of North Carolina.

Although he retired as president of his consulting firm in 1981 at the age of 77. Bernstein remained intellectually active. He is survived by his wife Edith and their three sons.

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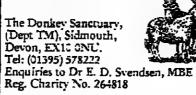
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Esses which a little over three years ago was but a marsh, will soon be able to produce motor-cars at the rate of two a minute. Only a little less important than this achievement in mass production are the means by which it is possible. The size of the establishment---claimed as the largest moter-cur works in Europe-is one factor, and the figures alone are impressive. The floor is 28 acres in extent, requiring 100,000 tons of concrete and 5.000,000 wood blocks, there are ntititio) square feet of glass in the roof: the steelwork is calculated by the thousand tons

and the bricks by the million In this vast area, where ultimately 15,000 men will be employed, are to be found many examples of Ford ideas for saving time and effort in production. They are to be seen in the opening of the windows—six miles of them— by electric motors; in the cooling of the factory in summer by 1.400 ventilators and the use of electric radiators to provide carefully regulated heat in winter. For the gangs of men

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While the new Ford works at Dagenham was doing well with mass production, it was otherwise in Soviet Russia, where car and tractor factories were suffering from a scarcity of majerials.

who are continually washing the glass roof a

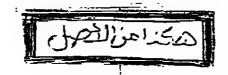
special gallery has been built, with a pipe-line six miles long running through the handrail so that water is available at any point. The machines show similar labour-saving ideas. The works, in accordance with Ford tradition, are self-contained, and carry out every process from the stage of the early raw material to the finished product. The power house is able to produce sufficient electricity for a rown of 50,000 inhahitants; the blast furnace, one of the largest in Britain, will produce 500 tons of pig fron a day; the coke ovens will treat 800 tons of British coal in 24

hours, and there is a by-products plant. The power house has been designed to burn 1,000 lons of London refuse a day; it is taken to Dagenham by barge, treated by special processes, and then burnt in the boilers.

The jetty which gives access to the works from the river will enable ocean-going vessels up to 12,000 tons to berth. There is a floating pontoon for passenger traffic. The company intends to make wide use of water transport Two electric unloaders, each capable of handling 300 tons an hour, and a number of cranes and conveyors have been installed to deal with the material arriving by water and the dispatch of the finished products.

SOVIET PRODUCTION OF MOTOR-CARS

The Commissar for Heavy Industry in Soviet Russia has ordered 21 metal works in Leningrad. the Urals, and the Ukraine to cease other work to assist the great Stalin Motor-cur Works in Moscow, where scarcity of materials and special parts brought about a cessation of regular production a formight ago. The Commissar lay-down dates for the delivery of specified quantities by each factory, and invests 21 special directors with extraordinary connections. with extraordinary powers to increase production, with extraordinary powers to increase production, threatening each director with personal punish-ment if deliveries are belated. The Stalingrad tractor works are now in difficulties from the same cause, and have closed for two or three weeks.



College scheme set to boost skill levels

BY SALLY WATTS

SMALLER companies needing more practical skills to sharpen their competitive edge will benefit from new, government-funded college

business partnerships.
The scheme will initially arrange for at least 80 young college leavers, with a technology-related National Vocational Qualification at level 4, to work in a company for a year. This first stage will be complete by next April. Probable subjects will include production engineering, computing. IT and design. The cost is £21,500 per person, with the Department of Trade and Industry contributing £15,000 and the company paying the

The partnerships are being launched this month through Business Links. It has similarities with the Teaching Company Scheme, through which universities put good-quality graduates with high-tech or business qualifications into companies for two years. It is managed by the Teaching Company Director-ate (TCD), which will also run the college business partnerships.

One aim is that the new partnerships, concerned with areas such as computer-aided design and manufacture, improved process technology and better quality control, will help industries in the supply chain to meet the requirements of potentially world-class client companies. It should also help to meet the need for a more skilled workforce at interme-

"The scheme will be business-led." says John Monniot, deputy director of TCD. "Many firms need people with vocational rather than academic qualifications: people who have the practical skills to put necessary, up-to-date technology into the company, rather than those working at

the leading edge."

Mr Monniot added: "College business partnerships will enable many small businesses to meet a large gap in their capabilities and become more competitive. We are looking for young people - this will give them a flying start at the beginning of their career. And as with the Teaching Company Scheme, they may be kept on after the year."

Contact the local Business Links personal business adviser, technology or design counsellor. Or contact the TCD on 01367 242822.

Smitten rider followed his business instincts

BY RODNEY HOBSON

otorcyclists are getting older. A generation of young men who sold off their machines to get married and buy a house are returning to the open, windswept road.

Hoss Elm, once a Ferrari fan and now, at 48, a Ducati devotee, imports Italian motorcycles. He says: The average age of Ducati owners is about 33 and I am coming more and more across people in their 50s who want to buy one. They want to get back to what they enjoy most."
The son of an Iranian diplomat,

Mr Elm came to Britain 30 years ago as a student and took an engineering degree. When his father returned home. Mr Elm stayed on, working in the motor industry and then as a consultant at Cranfield Institute. He left a secure job to set up as a motorcycle importer. He says: "One of the lecturers at Cranfield had a rusty bike in a hut wasting away. I bought it for £5 as a joke but within a few months was hooked and had done it up, passed my test and bought a big Italian machine. My experiences suggested to me that there was a big business opportunity to supply quality imported bikes, parts and a follow-up service.

"It all came about purely by accident. I was always interested in fast cars but I couldn't really afford them. When I became interested in bikes I wanted something that was fun and fast."

Turnover has roared away from £70,000 to £5 million a year but success brought problems. In 1990.



outgrown the premises and the bank refused to provide finance for a new property as it regarded the venture as too risky. Mr Elm finally secured backing from the TSB commercial banking centre in Northampton. By using an interestbearing current account, he has been able to offset bank charges. He says that the Italian motorcy-

cle industry has stood up to Japanese competition and maintained a reputation for engineering that is as good as the famous names in cars such as Alfa Romeo and

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Ferrari. He says: "They have the same talent with two wheels as with four. In the UK at present the Italian bikes are the most desired. The Italians had more fighting spirit than the British motorcycle industry. They struggled in the 1970s and into the 1980s when the Japanese dominated the scene but in the late 1980s the Italians improved quality and made their prices more competitive."

There are only about 1.900 Ducatis registered in the UK but Mr Elm points out that the marque is available only in more powerful

machines from 600cc upwards. He reckons he could have sold 2,500 this year but expects to be able to get hold of only half that number because of cashflow problems at the factory. Now that extra finance has been sorted out to boost production, he wants to import 3,000 next year.

The motorcycles cost from £5,600 to £16,000 and it is the most expensive version that is in greatest demand. Mr Elm says: There are only 500 available worldwide each year." Hoss Elm is on 01604 750851.

Innovative approach to management is proving profitable

are singing the praises of a regional initiative that has helped more than 21 small and medium-sized companies in the past two years.

The Profit from Innovation programme is now being run by Business Links in five counties. Despite its title, it has nothing to do with money-spinning inventions. but rather innovation to change and improve the management of

The aim is to shake up companies and to help them to step back from dealing with day-to-day issues in order to identify areas for improvement and to set new targets. It involves employees at all

The results have been impressive, but the programme has had to overcome the scepticism of business owners, and managers are wary of consultants and management theories.

Jim Bradbury, managing direc-tor of Polyflex, a small defence systems business with a £2 million turnover, had his doubts initially. 'I am very sceptical about consultants and couldn't see how a course could help," he said. But after attending a seminar involving a broad spread of businesses that had already tried the course, he agreed to take it further.

As a result, Polyflex has reexamined its objectives, leading to the closure of one division in order to focus on its core business of making systems for cooling infrared missiles and thermal imaging CHITCHIS.

Subsequently, the company has also put more effort into developing products for its export markets,

BUSINESSES in the South West and has moved into France, Israel, Sweden and the US, boosting new husiness inquiries by 50 per cent We realised that innovation is not about new technology but about management style," says Mr

Phi Group, a construction business, also tried Profit from Innovation. Phi, which specialises in retaining walls and erosion control. has seen its turnover grow rapidly to £8 million. But Terry Henrikson. sales and marketing director, says: "We were having a terrible job trying to fund growth and manage

Workshops held within the company to analyse ways of improving cashflow highlighted "a whole range of problems". It became clear that a lot of time was spent chasing debts at the end of a project whereas much more could be done to tighten up at the beginning to ensure prompt payment, so saving time and money.

Phi Group has now cut the number of outstanding debtors be a third. Applying a similar analysis to freight and storage in the group. Phi was able to make savings of £35,000. A new approach to stock control led to sizeable reductions and released £50,000 into the business to help to fund growth.

Profit from Innovation workshops typically involve eight to 12 people. The cost for the whole course - run over a six to ninemonth period - is £4,000.

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794585), which runs the scheme with the Teaching Company Di-rectory (01367 242822), visits the business to help it to develop a strategy, and then to prepare its application and locate a partner.

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☐ The number of new company formations has increased steadily for two years, according to new research from Barclays Bank's small business services, which recorded 23 per cent more forma-tions in the 1995-96 winter than in the middle of 1994. However, the research showed that the numbers in full-time self-employment had

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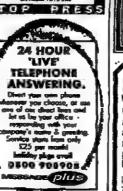
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Cli's first show, with 80 stands at Wembley's Hall 3, London, in March, brought in 7.800 visitors and the event at Edinburgh a month later attracted 3,200. Richard Lewis, marketing manager at CII, says: "Franchising is snowballing. We will be disappointed if we get fewer than 4,000 visitors at Manchester. This is a big exhibition in a major regional city."

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CII's franchise exhibitions have heen growing in importance over the past three years and they now wave the support of the British Franchise Association. All exhibitors are approved by the BFA. which also supports the franchise exhibition organised by Blenheim in October. Mr Lewis says the BFA backing at Manchester for the first time is one reason for the surge of

interest among franchisers. Cll has attracted new exhibitors Franchising show will offer help

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to its events this year. These include Greenalls Inns, the Warringtonbased puhs chain that won the Midland Bank award for innovation in last year's British franchise awards. Greenalls already has 750 franchisees among its 1,250 tenanted pubs and would be happy to make the tenanted estate 100 per cent franchised.

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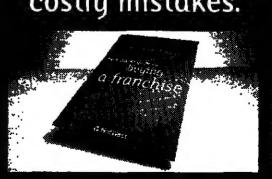
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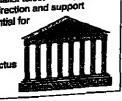
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The winning team, entitled Pure Fantasy, made good use of the eight quarter-final teams, with only the goalkeeper. Baia, failing to register positively. Mr Flockhart chose especially wisely as regards his defenders: the four players between them amassed 24 of his 43 points. His prize for winning section four is EI,000. Mr Flockhart's team was:

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Five points clear of the field is Mr P. O'Connel of West London. His Euro Paulo team has amassed 110 points, and he has made good use of the transfer system. Euro Paulo includes two of England's heroes - Seaman and Shearer — and the talented France pair of Zidane and Djorkaeff.
The loss of Fredi Bobic and

Jürgen Klinsmann, the Germany strikers, before the Germans' semi-final with England at Wembley tomorrow evening, will have forced many selectors to bring in a new striker, since Klinsmann in particular was a popular choice for many Euro ITF

There will be some who might take a gamble on a Czech Republic midfield player or striker, in the hope that the rank outsiders will overturn the form book once more and unearth another magical goal like that of Karel Poborski against Portugal on

Sunday. But if the bookmakers' odds are your preferred guide, then the crucial selections will need to be made from England and France, Ladbrokes's favoured

Sunday's final at Wembley.

The important issues that most Euro ITF selectors will want to bear in mind are whether Alan Shearer, the Blackburn Rovers striker, will return to scoring form after the goalless draw with Spain (but it must be borne in mind that Shearer is one of a handful of England players on one yellow card), or whether their goalkeeper should be the outstanding David Seaman or the eccentric Bernard Lama.

Disciplinary records - with 139 bookings and seven sendings-off in the championship to date - will be an influential factor in selectors' decisions (the full list of bookings and sendings-off can be found on page 48 today), as will the fact that goals in the knock-out stage have been singularly hard to come by. Matthias Sammer, of Germany, with 16 points to his

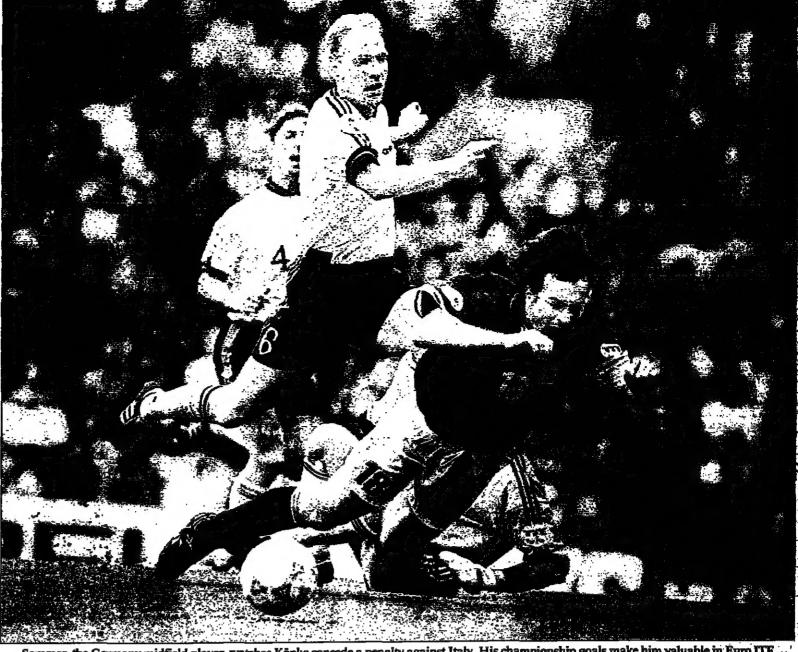
credit, has attained the status of Euro ITF's most valuable player; his two goals from central defence have allowed him to score heavily. His team-mate and goalkeeper, Andreas Köpke, is the highestscoring man in his position, Seaman's heroics for England notwithstanding. England's own Paul Gascoigne leads the field in the midfield department, with II points, whilst Shearer, with 13, is the leading striker.

Euro ITF reflects the real world of Euro 96. It is up to you to prove your selection skills by picking a team to beat the best. Having done that, you may attempt to improve your points-scoring potential by using the transfer system.

Your team must always be in line with the format of one goalkeeper, two full backs, two central defenders, four midfield players, two strikers and a manager. For this last section, you may pick up to four individuals (player or manager) from the same country. You must also include one-Rising Star (denoted opposite by RS), but no more than one, in your team.

The Euro ITF competition is separated into five transfer sections. For this last section you may transfer up to five the manager), but it is important to note that you may only use the transfer facility once for each team. If the transfer facility is used more than once, that team will revert to its original form.

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Sammer, the Germany midfield player, watches Köpke concede a penalty against Italy. His championship goals make him valuable in Euro ITF

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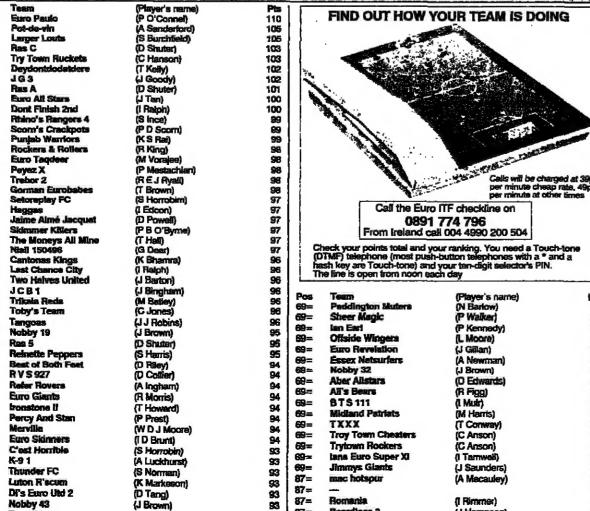
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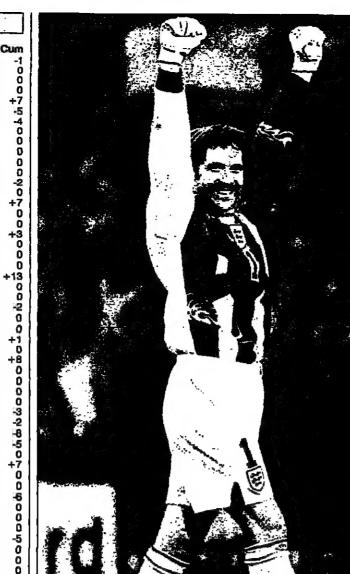
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Asylum seekers' cash crackdown

New laws are to be rushed through Parliament next week to overturn a Court of Appeal ruling that the Government acted illegally in cutting welfare benefits to asylum seekers.

Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, said urgent action was needed so the ruling would not provide "a blank cheque for bogus asylum seekers". But the move provoked furious protests from welfare groups. Some MPs described the plans as an abuse of process, and the measure is likely to face stiff opposition in the Lords

Mirror under fire over front page

■ The Editor of the Daily Mirror has apologised after hundreds of people protested about yesterday's front page showing two England footballers in soldiers' tin helmets demanding a German surrender.....

Spy trap alert

America has reimposed tough anti-spy restrictions on Moscow staff, where intimate relations with Russian citizens must be reported immediately ... Pages I, 15 Agassi out

Andre Agassi, the No. 3 seed and

the most charismatic figure in international tennis, was knocked out of the Wimbledon championships on the opening day of the mens' singles Pages 1, 3

Beef target

John Major said Britain would be ready for most of the EU beef ban to be lifted by November as he resisted Cabinet pressure for the sacking of Douglas Hogg, the Agriculture Minister Page 2

Sainsbury ban

A Sainsbury out-of-town store in North Yorkshire lost its licence to sell alcohol after police sent underage teenagers in to buy drink because of complaints about drunkenness and bad behaviour

England's success in Euro 96 has led to the rediscovery of the flag of St George - almost forgotten by

St George is back

.....Page 4 a generation NHS 'in crisis' The leader of Britain's doctors declared the NHS was in crisis and demanded a £6 billion injec-

tion of funds to stop it sinking like

Women's woe

British women work harder for less money, have more children, run more one-parent families and die sooner than Western European counterparts.....Page 7

Greenpeace clash Danish fishermen and Green-

peace activists were involved in violent dashes in a growing conservation warPage 9

New RAF missile

The RAF is getting a cruise missile that can be fired from 300 miles away, guaranteeing a direct hit. A £650 million order will be announced by Michael Portillo Page 10 next month.

Off the mark

The German Government opened its public relations offensive to persuade its stubbornly sceptical citizens that it will be worth abandoning the mark for a single European currencyPage 14 Clinton reprieve

President Clinton enjoyed a rare

respite from the scandals besetting his White House when the Supreme Court in effect delayed Paula Jones's sexual harassment lawsuit until after November's election. ... Page 16

Gall in Kabul

Sandy Gall was sipping tea on the veranda when the first rocket landed 300 yards away. He knew then that he was back in

Colonel, 85, wins wife and degree

A former aide-de-camp to the Queen is proving that even at 85 one can learn new tricks. Next month Colonel George Widdowson collects a Spanish degree and, a few days later, he marries his fiancée Mary Miller. The colonel, a veteran of Dunkirk and Arnhem, started his studies 15 years ago after he was spent time in Spain on doctor's orders



Twenty-five Essex amateur actors with Benfleet's The Wednesday Players celebrate sharing a £2 million National Lottery win

BUSINESS

Woolwich: Woolwich Building Society sought to put its stock market flotation back on course by naming insider John Stewart as its group chief executivePage 29

Channel tunnel: The Department of Transport told Eurotunnel's embattled management the British Government saw "no public interest" in extending its operating

Pensions: Hopes that 60,000 parttime workers would share up to £95 million in back-dated pensions were dashed ..

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index fell 11.5 points to close at 3710.8. Sterling's trade-weighted index was unchanged at 85.9 after a fall from \$1.5403 to \$1.5398 but a rise from DM2.3551 to DM2.3580.....Page 32

Tennis: Andre Agassi, the No 3 seed, lost in four sets to a fellow American, Doug Flach, on the opening day at Wimbledon. Other seeds to lose were Michael Chang and Jim Courier.....Page 56

SPORT

Football: Jürgen Klinsmann was adamant he would not be fit to face England in the European championship semi-final at Wembley because of a calf injury Page 56

Cricket: A stubborn seventh-wicket partnership between Jack Russell and Ronnie Irani secured England from defeat in the second Test against India at Lord's Page 50 Athletics: Michael Johnson's world 200 metres record and Allen Johnson's rapid 110 metres hurdles raise expectations of fast times at the Atlanta Olympics......Page 56

Fine art: An odd Gallic choice of British sculpture goes on show at the Jeu de Paume in Paris; while

ARTS

Nantes pays handsome tribute to Henry Moore's genius Page 37 Opera double: Garsington Opera turns on the country-house charm in productions of Britten's Albert Herring and Rossini's Il Turco

......Page 38 Pop gigs: Mariah Carey comes to London for the first time, and her fans pack Wembley Arena; while the Sex Pistols prove they still have a past that is worth making a noise about... ..Page 39

Fond farewell: Sadler's Wells says farewell to Lilian Baylis's famous building with a song-and-dance gala that featured many voices from the past

TOMORROW IN THE TIMES

STYLE Grace Bradberry on the new shape of summer's smartest white shirts

■ INTERFACE More than £5,000 worth of computer equipment to be won in the 24-page Interface

BODY AND MIND

of our series, Henry Dent-Brocklehurst describes how he gave up drugs and found salvation; Graham Turner on the divine plan: and Dr Thomas Stuttaford on faith and wellbeing

Spiritual death-throes: For years Andrew Harvey has been fascinated by Eastern religion. Now he has turned his back on those beliefs. Jeffrey Barnard on the God that throws custard pies ...

LAW Victim Impact: Michael Howard is to introduce the victim's voice in court, so that sentencing will take into account their pain. But is it the crime or its impact that is on trial?...

New Spanish custom: Spaniards did not feel juries were necessary but as they have just been introduced they will have to serve on them anyway....

THE PAPERS & SE

If judges are allowed unlimited flexibility, the purpose of the "three-strikes" laws will be defeated. But if they are required to pronounce unduly harsh sentences on non-violent offenders whose offences don't warrant them, injustice will result. The solution is for legislatures carefully and narrowly to define the kind of crimes they wish to punish severely

- The Washington Post

THE REPORT OF THE PERSON OF TH

Preview: The Sun Hill constabililary notches up its 999th episode. The Bill (ITV, 8pm); Review: Matthew Bond goes on parade with the French Foreign Legion Page 55

Join the world

The Commission should pull its head out of the grain siles and abolish this absurd tax, which Douglas Hogg has no business supporting

Wizard of old

Andreas Papandreou was an obstinate, tenacious, prejudiced nationalist whose long tenure as Prime Minister brought Greece to the . Page 21 brink of ruin ...

A tower for today

Ask any foreigner what images summon up Britain, and the chances are that the Tower of London will vie for first place with Buckingham Palace...

PETER RIDDELL Most reshuffles make no impact on the governing party's standing ... With rare exceptions, they mainly involve MPs and ministers of whom most people have never heard_

LIBBY PURVES You go to a doctor troubled and vulnerable: even the smallest ailment can briefly bring you in touch with the terror of mortality, or be a symptom of depression, loneliness.: or marital disaster Page 20

GEOFFREY ROBERTSON The more "horrific" the crime, the more due process is necessary. And the comparison with military tribunals is astonishing. How can The Hague tribunal serve as a world court model if it sets itself low

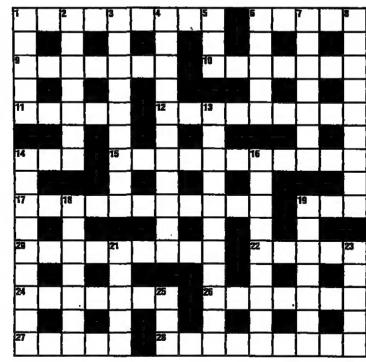
standards of fairness?...... Page 26 GILLIAN SHEPHARD Today's White Paper is designed with one aim - to raise standards: by reinforcing self-government and promoting choice and diversity.

sets out measures to build on what

is in place

Lord Tweedsmuir, soldier, explain er and writer; Cecil Turner, publisher ...Page 23

Home Secretary on asylum-seekers; Euro 96; lone parents; Wimble don village...



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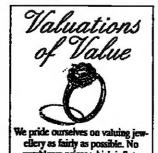
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FORECAST

☐ General: England and Wales will be mostly dry with sunny periods, but cloud will increase in the North and West in the afternoon and evening.

perhaps with patchy rain or drizzle later, Mostly warm. Scotland and Northern Ireland will be mostly dry at first, but outbreaks of rain are expected to spread southeast across all parts during the day, it should become drier and brighter later in the northwest. Temperatures

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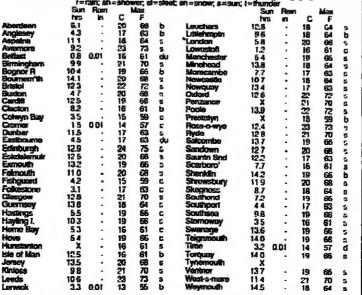
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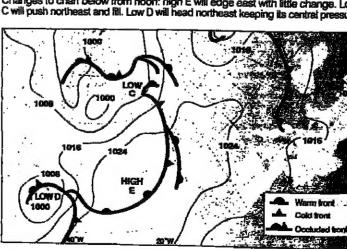
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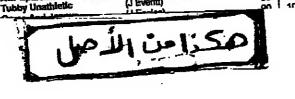
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